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RABINDRANATH TAGORE IN LONDON

INDIA'S GRAND OLD MAN PAYS TRIBUTE TO BRITAIN'S POETS.

SCATHING DENUNCIATIONS OF THE "POLITICAL MIND."

Dr. Rabindranath Tagore recently spent a few days in England on his way to India after his lecturing tour in America. A reception was given in his honour at the Hyde Park Hotel by the All Peoples' Association, which works for his own cause of international co-operation. The poet, who is approaching his seventieth birthday, is more than ever in his appearance the ideal of venerable beauty.

He spoke seated in his chair in a low, even melodious voice—that of a man talking quietly among sympathetic friends. Standing round him and eager to hear every word was a diverse and interesting company representing the East and the West. It was strongly international in character. Mr. Bernard Shaw, the apostle of Western common sense, was deep in converse with the leader of Indian idealist philosophy. There were in the room Indian princes, official representatives of a dozen foreign countries, publicists like Sir Norman Angell and Mr. Evelyn Wrench, scholars like Dr. Bevan and Dr. Edward Thompson, artists and literary men, and the unique artist both in line and in words, Mr. Max Beerbohm.

Dr. Tagore spoke of the difficulty of cultivating the international

mind of the West, where a militant aggressive individualism had been so much pursued and made into a cult. The tendency was apparent also in Western politics and was the cause of divisions between the nations. Although the same spirit of collective egoism existed in the East, still the spirit there was more that of a community life than the exclusive spirit of individualism.

Inspiration of English Poets.

He went on to describe the growth of the spirit of internationalism in his own life and mind. He spoke of the influence upon his own family in his youth of the great personality of Rammohan Roy—the first man who had this great background of humanity for all his teaching and who had intense love for all mankind.

Dr. Tagore went on to say that Western literature and culture came to them (he was speaking of his own family) through the poems of the great minds of Europe, who were filled with sentiment, universal in its character, of the love of humanity and freedom. Some of these great poets were not now held in the same honour as in their own homes, "but they still remain as our ideals and our source of inspiration, and we still remember how intense was the love for Shakespeare, Byron, Keats, and other classical poets of the West."

As an example of how the inspiration of the English poets went to the heart of that generation in

India, he told how a young man roused him at midnight when he was asleep and said that he had just read a wonderful line in Keats and must repeat it, which he did. "Since then things have changed, but that was a great thing for us. We often tried to repudiate the West, but deep in our being there is a real reverence and admiration for the great things which truly represent Western humanity, and we have within us from the beginning of our lives that cultural meeting of East and West."

Rampant Nationalism.

"But," Dr. Tagore went on, "the nationalism of to-day, which has become too rampant and self-assertive, that, too, we got from Western sources. We borrowed the spirit of nationalism from the West, and that is another sign of our deep admiration for Western civilisation." This cultural mingling was going on more strongly in the East than in the West because the people in the West were too proud and exclusive in their own cultural surroundings and limitations. The West had borrowed from the East its religion, but it had been greatly modified in the process by the Western temperament, and had lost much of its Eastern colour and sentiment. In spite of that the religion of the East had been a factor in moulding the Western character and giving it richness and light.

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Diary of Coming Events.

To-day.
(February 6.)
Queen's Theatre: "Men of the North."
Star Theatre: "Last Warning."
World Theatre: "Conquering Beauty" (Chinese picture).
Queen's College, Prize giving (B.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E. presiding).
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
Distribution of Prizes at Government Vernacular Middle School, 11 a.m.
Tea Party to Sir William Hornell, University, 4.30 p.m.
European Mail—Inward: Europe via Suva (Takaka) and (Antenor).
Saturday.
(February 7.)
Queen's Theatre: "Men of the North."
Star Theatre: "Last Warning."
World Theatre: "Conquering Beauty" (Chinese picture).
Boxing—Hong Kong Boxing Association Tournament (Theatre Royal).
Cricket—Division I.: University v. Royal Artillery (L.), Hong Kong C.C. (F.), Indian R.C. v. Civil Service (F.). Division II.: Royal Engineers v. Police (L.), Civil Service v. Recreation (L.), Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong (F.).
Football—Division I.: Chinese Navy, Highlanders v. Club, S. China v. Borderers, Recreation v. Kowloon. Division II.: University v. Navy, S. China v. Chinese, Borderers v. Recreation, St. Joseph's v. Highlanders. Royal Artillery v. Eastern Club v. Kowloon. Division III.: Chinese v. S. China, Ewo v. Fukien, R.A.S.C. v. Royal Air Force.
Golf—Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Captain's Cup.
Hockey—Caser Clark Cup, Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club v. Kowloon Ladies' Hockey Club.
Hunting—Fanning Hunt Hounds Meet (the Kennels), 3.15 p.m.
Rugby—Interport Probables v. Services.
Bachelor's Dance at Craigengower Cricket Club.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
European Mail—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Kashima Maru), 9.30 a.m.
Sunday.
(February 8.)
Queen's Theatre: "Temple Tower."
World Theatre: "A Robbers Star Theatre: "Madame Pompadour."
Golf: Semi-final of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Captain's Cup Competition; Kowloon Club Fencing Cup.
Races: Fanning Hunt Steeplechases.
Tea Dance: Repulse Bay Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

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- 7.—Roast Potatoes
- 8.—Boiled Potatoes
- 9.—French Beans
- 10.—Prunes Pudding, Custard Sauce
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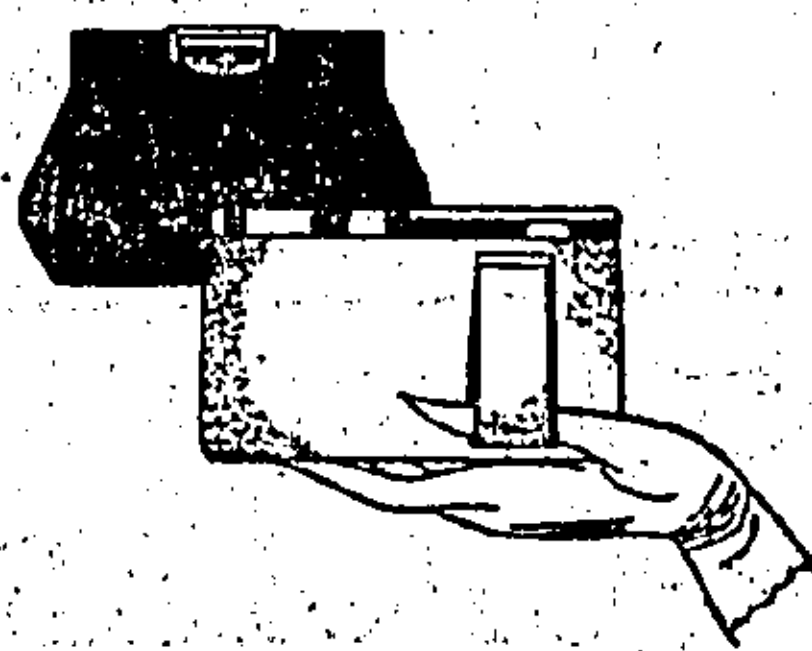
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During damp weather it is a good plan to put a small piece of blotting paper at the bottom of each suit-cellar.

The blotting paper absorbs the moisture and keeps the suit dry. In damp weather mirrors and windows get misty. Smear a little soap over them, and polish off with a soft duster. They will remain clear on the dampest day.

togs, afternoon frocks and different ones for informal and formal evening wear. They are each and every one artistic bits of framework in

WOMAN'S PAGE.

CHARMING EXAMPLES OF NEW MODE



fabric or leather, made to compactly and smartly hold the things one needs. To match these delightful handbags are scarves. They are about a yard and a half long and quite narrow and are worn more or less muffler fashion. Very definite patterns are used; one half of a very chic model was in black, while the other end was in white, both joined together in the middle with a tiny bow.

Whiteaway's present the new hat mode in scores of new styles and colours suitable for immediate wear. Afternoon occasions demand a very special type of clothes, and especially a very special kind of hat. Whiteaway's have given this mode a great deal of attention, and



have selected a very wide variety of the very latest spring fashions. Most of them are very smart indeed and the prices asked are really amazingly low when we consider the present exchange.

In the furnishing department I saw some very nice coloured linen breakfast and luncheon cloths; these are in a very useful size and are in blue, mauve, yellow, orange and pink. Those who are lucky enough to be going home would be well advised to look over the new shipment of "Neverbreak" ward-robe and cabin trunks which seem to me to combine strength and utility with a very good appearance.

The Dolly Vardon Hat Shop. If you want value for your money these hard times you should not miss these last five days of the sale at the Dolly Vardon Hat Shop. Lovely new models are being sold at below cost price. For example there are many smart hats, formerly priced at \$18, going for \$5, and some which before were marked \$22 and \$25, going for \$10 and \$12. They must all be cleared to make room for the new spring consignments of "Mayfair" and "Catalina" models which are now on the way from America. Former experience of the sales at this enterprising little shop has proved that the hats offered are really up, and I would advise an early visit. I would point out also that most of the hats were only received a few weeks ago, and are quite suitable for spring wear.

Maison Marnac. Your own individuality is expressed in dresses made for you by this expert French designer. This week I saw some of the latest creations in evening gowns at this salon. White for evening is very much worn and some lovely models are seen in georgette and satin. Whilst chiffons, georgettes, satins and velvets can all hold their own in the galaxy of fashion, lace dresses seem pre-eminently suited to the latest modes, and lace alone, or a judicious blending of lace with either of these other materials, is sure of success. With all these lovely neutral-tinted models it must not be thought that coloured frocks have been neglected by the authorities of Maison Marnac, for they have an endless store of charming floral chiffon and one-colour frocks.

Style. Women simply cannot afford to miss seeing these very chic French dresses which Style, the new shop in Ice House Street, has just received. The casual observer may see little difference between the long skirt of the new spring season and its predecessor of a few months ago, but a number of subtle changes in line and style differentiate the frock of to-day from those it has succeeded, and it is "up" to every



woman who sets a proper store on her personal appearance to make herself acquainted with the new fashions. The real secret of a first-rate dress artist lies in her ability to select the best in the new fashion. Perhaps the loveliest models seen in this salon are of silk lace. It is difficult to discriminate, but one exquisite dress is made of a hand-somely patterned lace with a georgette background. The dress is made on princess lines and there is a deep godet flounce which forms the lower part of the long skirt.

The Book Shop and Bible Depot. It's amazing how pleasant and interesting an hour we can spend having a browse among the books in this up-to-date store. There is a sale on at present and specially big reductions have been made in religious and children's books. Some of the latter are very attractively got up, and are just the thing for birthday presents. Among the more serious books, I had the good fortune to pick up Miss Constance E. Padwick's volume, "Temple Gairdner of Cairo," a biography of Canon Gairdner, a C.M.S. Missionary to Moslems.



Pamela is offering this week a great reduction in afternoon and evening frocks. These are in georgette and silk-crepe and are ideal for spring wear and give all those women who appreciate the value of a smart dress an opportunity of becoming possessed of such a model at a figure half or even a third of the original value. Dresses for the evening have been equally severely reduced. Among the many good things it is difficult to pick and choose, but perhaps one of the most attractive propositions in the sale is the afternoon frock of printed or plain crepe-de-chine and satin. One who needs a simpler outfit will see that what she wants in a suit of lightweight tweed, fresh and beautifully tailored. And on no account forget the millinery. What woman wants to miss the chance of buying a smart hat for only a few dollars?



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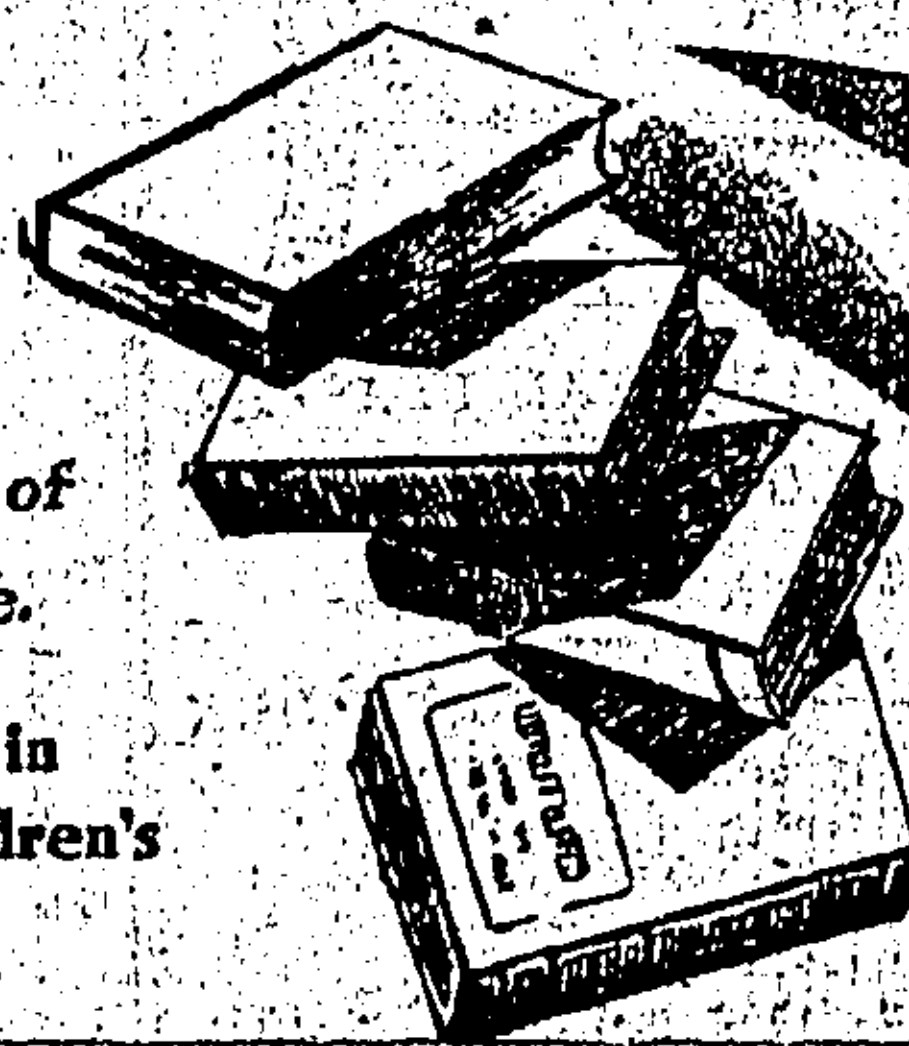


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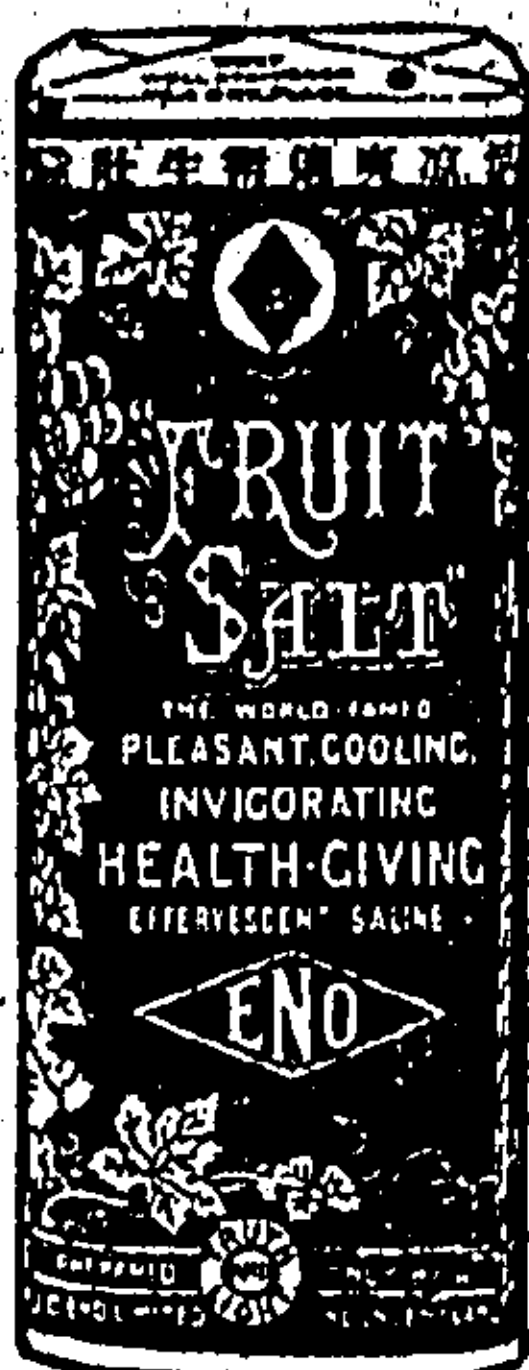
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To make stale bread new and appetizing brush the loaf all over with milk, bake in a moderate oven for 15 minutes, and it will be crisp and new.
When a cake sticks to a tin stand it over a vessel containing boiling water. The heat will loosen the cake, which may be removed without breaking.
Before putting eggs into boiling water wet each thoroughly in cold water. This will prevent them from cracking. Never drop them into the water, place in carefully with a spoon.

A pinch of fine oatmeal put into milk puddings gives them a delicious creaminess.

Batter puddings will be lighter if two teaspoonfuls of ground rice are added to the flour before mixing.

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A tablespoonful of vinegar added to lard when frying prevents the food absorbing too much fat.

GOWNS FOR THE CHINESE LADY.

TAFETTA AND VELVET TO GO TO DANCE.

WOOLLENS FOR DAY-TIME HOURS.

This is the time of the year when, taking stock of your wardrobe, you undoubtedly find yourself in need of a frock or two, or perhaps a coat, that will brighten your spirits on a dull winter day. On this page we have sketched a few suggestions from the wardrobe of Mrs. Eddie Wu, *nee* Agnes Fung, who is widely known as a talented musician and writer. With her infallible sense of *chic*, Mrs. Wu has selected for us serviceable things for busy moments as well as elaborate clothes for hours of pleasure.



Woolen Frocks Practical.

With woolen frocks having a vogue all their own this season, what with their versatile and varied weaves and colours, the practical frocks of grey and rose feather-weight tweed in this collection is among the most popular of all, because of its light warmth and rich colourings. This is developed in the straight silhouette, fashion's favourite for daytime dresses.

Another woolen frock which is as softly styled as any silk frock could be, owes its feminine effect to the softness of its fabric. This new sheer woolen material in the popular black with a narrow green plaid stripe, combines several features of special interest. First, the clever neckline and sleeves trimmed with a wide border of plain material distinguish this dress as new. The plain fabric also forms pleated side panels which are inverted to preserve the straight silhouette.

As a winter wardrobe is complete without a Chinese costume which is either lined with fur or a fur-like fabric, the one included here is of silk printed in a leaf design in a *chic* blue and grey combination. Soft grey squirrel is favoured for the lining not only for its beauty but also for additional warmth.

Padded silk frocks are still very smart, but this year they must be very light, "silk cotton" padding being used in most cases to retain the classically simple lines with its two straight seams at the sides. Invisible stitching keeps the padding in place in the French blue broadcloth dress worn for informal affairs.

A perfect complement to any of these costumes is a black broadcloth coat which uses grey fur trimming in a striking way to form the interesting stand collar with tiny yoke, deep cuffs and the side facing. The coat achieves the fashionably fitted and flared lines through intricate cut and seamings.

Taffeta for Dancing.

With stiff fabrics such as taffetas and moirés in the plain colour and printed versions steadily gaining in popularity and prestige as the year begins, this taffeta frock of a deep, rich red possesses great *chic*. Especially attractive peplums cunningly set on the hips and curving down in a flattering V point in the front accentuate the broken lines of the frock. Quite effective also is the fitted basque, and Chinese loops add interest to the becoming collar with front closing, while the short sleeves are pulled in an ingenious manner. The skirt itself is hemmed in a most delightful manner, being flared but not too full, and features the shorter length for dancing. Tiny artificial flowers give a charming note to the sleek coiffure and *crêpe de chine* slippers are dyed to match.

The Dinner Dress.

The black velvet dress, a valuable asset to any wardrobe, is ideal for that all-important dinner, dance or other formal functions. A striking contrast is provided by the trimmings of red and gold sheer broadcloth fabric, with unusual interest centred in the stepped arrangement of the fetching yoke and cuffs. The bodice is moulded with a high waistline is merely indicated by means of an encircling seam. The skirt is cut circular, descending in beautiful folds to the floor evenly all around. Long pendent earrings of an elaborate design wrought of gold and studded with pearls, and a broadened handbag with a jewelled frame are appropriate accessories.

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER.



A NURSERY DISH.

Spinach is such a splendid aid to nursery health that it would be as well if every kitchen garden devoted a corner to cultivating it. However, some of its valuable properties will be lost if it is not cooked the proper way. Wash the leaves thoroughly to remove all grit, pull off stalks and coarsen mid-rib.
Pack, wet, from washing, into a saucepan, cover, and leave to cook gently, stirring now and then till tender. There should be no need to add salt or butter.
Juices from the leaves will prevent burning. Any such juice should go into the stock pot or be given as a drink. To serve, drain the leaves and chop finely; or, when children are young, press through a sieve to make a purée, and serve with baked breadcrumbs and white sauce.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Lots of flowers cheat! That means that they lay traps so that odd insects will not take all their honey. For instance, an ordinary ant may pay a call upon a flower and try to run away with the honey that really belongs to the bee; so this particular flower's body is made in such a way that the honey is packed away in a long tube, and the ant is obliged to go through it to reach it. When the insect has tried to thieve from several of these flowers, without success, it soon flies off to some other kind of flower, and the one with the "trap" smiles to herself.



Mention must also be made of the beaded frock which is coming to the fore in the mode for evening wear. Enormous rose-and-crystal bead flowers in heavy bas-relief on pale rose chiffon produce a rich, gleaming quality to this very lovely dress. The normal waistline is marked with a narrow belt, while the extremely high Chinese collar and elbow sleeves mark this as quite formal.

Last But Not Least.

The evening wraps in this collection include a black velvet one. The elbow cape and cuffs are lavishly trimmed with white fox, and, with a smart contrast of line, the long slim skirt flares out in back in a circular flounce that just escapes the floor. The combination of the black velvet and white fur is not only strikingly smart in itself, but is also effective as an ensemble with evening frocks of almost any colour. This is, no doubt, the secret of why this type of wrap has been so enthusiastically endorsed by smart women for so many seasons.

The all-fur wrap, which has for its only important rival the popular velvet one, is selected in dark grey moleskin. The pelts are handled with great skill, giving a semi-fitted, straight line, as slender as in a cloth coat, and widening gradually towards the bottom. The shawl collar turned up at the back is definitely smart while the three-quarter length is quite desirable.—E.C. in the *North-China Daily News*.

DO YOU KNOW?

Putting a cake into a warm oven for a few seconds make the icing smooth and glossy.

Tea stains can be removed from delicate china by rubbing lightly with salt.

Suede gloves or shoes can be cleaned by rubbing with a pad of flannel dipped in fine oatmeal.

Warm milk in which a little shredded soap has been dissolved cleanses kid gloves and feeds the leather. Apply with a piece of flannel while the gloves are on the hands, paying particular attention to the parts between the fingers.

MUSHROOM FAIRIES.

I took my basket to the fields, And what do you think I found? A real live mushroom growing there Upon the marshy ground.

I stooped to pick it quickly, then Delighted with the sight; When suddenly I saw a pixie Carrying a light.

"Where are you going, pixie?" I asked that fairy so small; His answer came in silver tones: "I'm going to mushroom ball."

"How beautiful!" I cried aloud, "Please take me with you too!" "But no," he said, "this fairy dance Is not the kind for you."

"I'll pick the mushroom," then I thought, "I'll pick it just for spite!" But what a shame, I said aloud, "To spoil their lovely light."

I took my basket home again, And oh, I did feel glad To think I had not made the mushroom Fairies evening sad.

WHEN YOU CHOOSE SHOES.

Shoes—how different the picture that word conjures up to-day from that of not so long ago! Instead of severely plain black or brown shoes, all of the same pattern, a large number of colours, styles, and materials is now available.

Indeed, British shoe manufacturers are now producing, both in the highest quality goods and in the less expensive kinds, such an extraordinary variety of shoes that at times the task of choosing a new pair is a little bewildering.

Court shoes are always in fashion, and never more so than to-day. The newest trimming for Courts is a simple bow of leather, fine metal mesh, celluloid, paste, and so on. Many are provided with clips for quick attachment, and they are more often placed at the side of the shoe than in the front. Piping in white or a contrasting colour is also largely used as a neat decoration on Court and other shoes. Bar shoes, although not so popular as they have been, are still in vogue.

One of the most fashionable types is the lace shoe which is seen in several different forms. For morning there is our old friend the Oxford, of calf or kid, neatly cut with "tailored" lines, covering the front of the foot, either made welted with a leather heel or possessing a slim Louis heel.

At the other extreme is the low-cut shoe, which is a very near relative of the Court shoe, and has only one or two eyelets low on the front of the foot. Between these is the design, cut lower than the Oxford, with two, three, or four eyelets, and saddle or snail effects. There is also the instep shoe fastening on the instep—really a variation of the bar shoe.

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The monthly report for January, issued by the Hong Kong Broadcasting Committee, states:—
Actual hours of transmission totalled 272, of which 157 were devoted to European programmes and 115 to Chinese, as follows:—

| | Euro-Chinese | Chinese |
|---|--------------|---------|
| Morning transmissions including commercial news and church relays | 50 | 46 |
| Evening transmissions | 107 | 69 |
| | 157 | 115 |

Monthly percentage: European 57.72; Chinese 42.28.

During the month the following items were broadcast:—Running commentaries, 2; dance programmes, 9; European studio concerts, 5; Chinese studio concerts, 10; European relays, 13; Chinese relays, 5; readings from Shakespeare, 1; European lectures, 1; Chinese lectures, 2; European children's programmes, 4; Chinese children's programmes, 4.

New licences issued during January 1931, 116.

STUDIO AND RELAY TRANSMISSIONS.

| | Euro-Chinese | Chinese |
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| Jan. | hrs. | hrs. |

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|---|---|---|
| 1. Chinese studio concert | 3 | |
| 2. Chinese lecture, Dr. Dr. K. S. Shin on "Infant Welfare" | 1 | |
| 3. Running commentary on boxing match | 2 | |
| 4. St. Joseph's Church relay | 1 | |
| 5. No Studio or relay transmissions | | 3 |
| 6. Ko Shing Theatre relay | 1 | |
| 7. Experimental relay | 1 | |
| 8. Piano-forte recital from the Studio by Miss L. Pecker | 1 | |
| 9. Chinese children's programme | 1 | |
| 10. Helena May Concert relay | 1 | |
| 11. European children's programme | 1 | |
| 12. Chinese Studio concert | 2 | |
| 13. Experimental relay | 1 | |
| 14. European studio concert | 1 | |
| 15. Violin recital from the Studio by Mr. Robert Neighbour | 1 | |
| 16. Chinese studio concert | 3 | |
| 17. Union Church relay | 1 | |
| 18. Experimental relay | 1 | |
| 19. Chinese Studio concert | 2 | |
| 20. Children's children's programme | 1 | |
| 21. European children's programme | 1 | |
| 22. Chinese Studio concert | 3 | |
| 23. Experimental relay | 1 | |
| 24. European lecture from the Studio Professor Simpson on Shakespeare | 1 | |
| 25. Chinese lecture from the Studio Dr. K. S. Shin on "Infant Welfare" | 1 | |
| 26. Chinese Studio concert | 3 | |
| 27. St. John's Cathedral relay | 1 | |
| 28. Ko Shing Theatre relay | 1 | |
| 29. European children's programme | 1 | |
| 30. Chinese Studio concert | 2 | |
| 31. No Studio or relay transmissions | | 3 |
| 32. Running Commentary on football match | 1 | |
| 33. St. Joseph's Church relay | 1 | |
| 34. Piano-forte recital from the Studio by Mr. J. J. Levitt | 1 | |
| 35. Experimental relay | 1 | |
| 36. Readings from Shakespeare from the Studio | 1 | |
| 37. Chinese Studio concert | 2 | |
| 38. Ko Shing Theatre relay | 1 | |
| 39. Experimental relay | 1 | |
| 40. Chinese children's programme | 1 | |
| 41. European children's programme | 1 | |
| 42. Chinese Studio concert | 2 | |
| 43. From the Studio | 1 | |
| 44. Bragg Trio | 1 | |
| 45. Relay of lecture from the University—Hon. Mr. Tai Chi Tao on Chinese literature | 1 | |
| 46. No Studio or relay transmissions | | 3 |

"THE SONG OF THE DRUM."

AMAZING—BUT SOULLESS.

Writing at hot speed after the production of "The Song of the Drum" at Drury Lane last month, it is only possible to give my main impression, writes the dramatic critic of the *New Chronicle*.

The strongest impression of all is that, never at Drury Lane, or at any other London theatre for that matter, has there been such beauty on the stage.

That is due to the genius of Professor Ernst Stern. I did not care for the first scene, supposed to be the parade ground in the imaginary country of Huzbaria under British rule.

The action of the play was banished there from India by order of the Governor. Professor Stern's "expression" scenery did not blend with the modern dresses and uniforms.

An Inspiration.

But the "House with the Red Door" is an inspiration.

The door itself excites the imagination, and the courtyard, with its slaves and a beauty auction, is a fine picture in design and colour.

The Regimental Ball is more conventional, but its grey walls made a telling background for the uniforms of the men, and afterwards for a ballet in which the women carried immense fans of orange, white and blue ostrich feathers.

The Palace of the Ukhani of Kalkuk, an enemy of the British, was even more beautiful, and the Bazaar at Tashud an amazing picture of Eastern life, with goats, monkeys, and even a camel.

These stage pictures are not merely ornate and elaborate in the ordinary way, but have taste and imagination.

Ballets and Music.

Next to the scenery I would place the ballets and ensembles arranged by Ralph Reader. The machine-like drill of the ensemble of the first act, in which men and women in officers' dress move with the precision of the famous Toy Soldiers, took the fancy of the audience.

But what pleased me was the free and graceful dancing, especially in the fan ballet. It was modelled on the spontaneous ease of the Russian "Les Sylphides."

Another strong impression was that Vivian Ellis, with the assistance of Hermann Finck, has written much better music than has recently come to us from America. "Sheila," a song sung by Derek Oldham; "The Sun in My Eyes," a duet; and "Within My Heart," sung by Marie Burke, are far above the average of ordinary musical comedy music.

The marches and finales are of stronger fibre than usual.

The praise that can be given to the music *en scene* and music cannot be extended to the book of Fred Thompson and Guy Bolton.

The melodramatic plot of an officer in the Secret Service who is cashiered because he has been ordered to give away secrets to a Russian spy (spies are again Russian on the stage) is not really fitted for musical comedy.

The Evening's Hit.

It is as if the authors had taken an old Drury Lane melodrama and had made it a book for musical comedy.

This made it very difficult for Derek Oldham and Helen Gilliland to be convincing as the hero and heroine and did not help Bobby Howes as comedian. However, he did wonders with his part and he was fed very cleverly by Peter Haddon as a silly ass friend.

The greatest success of the evening was made by Marie Burke as "The Russian spy." Her only song, "Within My Heart," was so enthusiastically applauded that it stopped the action of the play.

The Helen Howell Foursome also made a great sensation with their acrobatic dance and no accident happened "on the night."

"The Song of the Drum" is an amazing show. It is, however, a show without a soul.

A new scheme for combating unemployment, by subsidising wages, was outlined by Herr Dietrich, the Finance Minister, in a speech at Stuttgart. Unemployment is costing Germany 2100,000,000 a year, he said. Part at least of the vast sum being contributed by the State to the unemployed insurance fund to enable close on 4,000,000 men and women to exist in idleness ought to be diverted direct to industry in the shape of wage subsidies. In respect of every man or woman now unemployed for whom employment should be found, the State is to contribute to make the employer to pay wages. Such aid from the State would bring about a reduction in the cost of production and provoke an "animation" of business. In both industrial and trade union circles opposition is already shown to the proposal.

RABINDRANATH TAGORE IN LONDON.

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He himself had gone through the stage of aggressive nationalism, but he had lost it now, and had therefore incurred the displeasure of his own countrymen very often. This abstract nationalism often smothered the higher spirit of man, which was found in the individual. In this connection he spoke of the spirit of bragging and boastfulness which he found in Japan in 1916, and contrasted it with the beautiful human relationships among the people. Humanity was often obscured behind the passion of nationalism.

His own experiences in the West had helped him to cherish the ideal of internationalism, and he was also greatly helped because when he became known to the Western world he found it easy to occupy a warm corner of their hearts. He left it his duty to try to utilise this feeling, which he had been fortunate to win in the West, and to bring it to his own country, so as to try to bridge the gulf which was widening every day between East and West.

Attack on the Politicians.

"Your politics here," he went on, "represent the same aggressive individualism. We cannot altogether obliterate national temporal differences. There must be separateness between peoples. When it is merely on the surface, it doesn't hurt, but when it becomes selfishness, greed, and antipathy which cause separateness, then it is not the separateness of national demarcations but darkness and the bottomless abyss."

"You have seen the mischief of this, and have tried to bring about peace through the agency of the League of Nations, but there the nations are represented not by their dreamers and idealists but by their politicians. I can't think that this is right in any work which is meant to establish peace. It is like organising a band of robbers into a police department. I have travelled in different countries lately, and everywhere I have seen signs of sufferings caused by these very politicians—how they have bungled their peace conference and to what an end they have brought this great civilisation."

Finally Dr. Tagore spoke of his attempt to create an atmosphere of mutual sympathy in his own institution at Santiniketan. He had done his best to keep his work outside political entanglement and turmoil. That was the one constitution in India where the students were absolutely natural in their relationship with visitors from the West. He had created this atmosphere with the help of some great scholars from Europe. This work he was trying to carry on in the midst of this great cyclone of political restlessness in India. To counteract the evil of nationalism there should be other channels of communication where East and West could meet in the pure spirit of sympathy and co-operation. "I have often wished that some great minds from England could come to India not merely as members of the ruling class but to spread their human love among our people."

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2 p.m.—Close down.
5 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
6 to 6.30 p.m.—Chinese lecture by Dr. K. S. Shin, M.B., B.S., on "Infant Welfare."
7 to 10.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
7 p.m.—Stock quotations.
7 to 7.42 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestral—"Gaiety Echoes."—Herman Finck and his Orph.
Humorous Song—"P. O. Lamb."—Mr. Flotman and Mr. Jetsam.
Humorous Song—"The Modern Diver."—Mr. Flotman and Mr. Jetsam.
Banjo Solo—"Mississippi Bubble."—Ernest Jones.
Humorous Song—"S'posin'."—Trix Sisters.
Humorous Song—"Come on Baby."—Trix Sisters.
Xylophone Solo—"Lonesome Little Doll."—Rudy Starita.
Hawaiian Orchestra—"King's Serenade."—Moana Orch.
Hawaiian Orchestra—"That Aloha Waltz."—Moana Orch.
Song—"Boots."—Raymond Newell.
7.42 to 7.50 p.m.—"On With the Show" Selections, played by Debyro Somers' Band.
7.50 to 8.10 p.m.—Chamber Music.

Piano-forte Solo—"Country Gardens."—(Grainger).—Percy Grainger.
Piano-forte Solo—"Shepherd's Hey."—Percy Grainger.
Octette—"Melody" (Davies).—J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.
Octette—"Moon Beams and Shadows."—(Squire).—J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.
Cello Solo—"Evening Song" (Schumann).—Gaspar Cassado.
Cello Solo—"Après Un Reve" (Faure).—Gaspar Cassado.
8.10 to 8.28 p.m.—Operatic.

"Parsifal—March of the Knights of the Holy Grail" (Wagner).—The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
"Mariana"—Vocal gems (Walton).—Clara Serena, Francis Russell, Denis Noble and Chorus.

8.28 to 9 p.m.—Orchestral and Band Selections.
Band—"March Slav" (Technikovsky).—The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
Orchestral—"Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2" (Liszt and Wood).—New Queen's Hall Orch.
Orchestral—"The Bronze Horse" (Auber).—Bournemouth Municipal Orch.
9 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.
9.05 p.m.—STUDIO CONCERT.

1. Piano-forte Solo by Mr. S. B. Winram—"Rhapsody in Blue" by G. Gershwin.
2. Songs—Miss F. McGill (Soprano)—(a) "The Auld Scotch Songs" by Dr. Bethune; (b) "John Anderson My Jo" by Burns.
3. Glee Singers—"The Collegians"—(a) "John Peel" (b) "How Can I Bear to Leave Thee?"
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- Collided with a "baby" car;
- Was chased by a Rolls-Royce car for several miles;
- Had its index number taken;
- Was held up by a constable near Crawley.

Mr. Clynes, describing his adventure, said: "I was motoring to Brighton with my wife and sister, Mrs. Parker. We were, I think, somewhere on the London side of Crawley, where the mist was quite thick, when the accident occurred."

"Just as my chauffeur was passing a small car a lorry appeared through the mist, travelling towards us. My chauffeur was forced to edge in towards the near side of the road, and there was apparently a very slight collision between us and the small car."

"It was so slight that no one in my car realised that a collision occurred, and we went on. The paintwork on my car was not even scratched."

"It appears that the driver of the small car stopped and another motorist, who was behind, seemed to have thought that we, too, should have stopped."

"He must have followed us, passed us and given information to the first police officer he saw. Near the outskirts of Crawley we were stopped by a constable, who after taking particulars of the accident, allowed us to proceed."

Constable's Courtesy.

"He did not know who I was, but he was perfectly courteous to my chauffeur. I believe he was later told that I was in the car."

"I was much impressed by the courtesy of the constable and also the efficient manner in which he dealt with the information he received from the other motorist. The incident also showed how public-spirited motorists can assist the police to deal with happenings on the road when no policeman is present."

"I certainly do not mind being stopped. Both the officer and the motorist who gave information to him were only doing their duty."

Mr. Clynes added that the constable was not a member of the new mobile police and appeared to be on his ordinary beat.

GOLDEN GIFTS TO
AN EARL.KING'S MESSAGE OF
CONGRATULATIONS.

A blue-eyed, alert figure, straight as a ramrod and apparently in his early sixties, invited me into Quidenham Hall, Norfolk, and took me to a broad hearth where a log fire was blazing.

It was the Earl of Albemarle, chief of the "Fighting Keppels," 75 years of age, who was to celebrate his golden wedding.

A fall of snow had made the countryside look like Christmas; inside the hall the Earl and Countess were seen with a family party among their eldest son, Lord Bury, besides Sir Derek Keppel, Master of the King's Household, Sir Colin Keppel, and several of Lord Albemarle's young grandchildren.

The King's Telegram.

Chief among a large number of telegrams that had arrived was a personal message from the King, saying:

"The Queen and I send you our warmest congratulations on your golden wedding."

Past a graceful sculpture of a reclining woman—done by Lord Albemarle himself years ago—I was taken to the dining room, hung with oil paintings, where were set out a number of the golden wedding presents with the King's telegram in the centre.

"This," said Lord Albemarle, pointing to a gold loving cup, "is from the survivors of the City Imperial Volunteers."

Lord Albemarle commanded the Volunteers in the Boer War and explained to me that he knew personally 270 of those who are alive.

Near by was a gold cup from the tenants, a gold porringer from the estate and farm staff and many beautiful gifts from Lord and Lady Albemarle's children.

An Active Sportsman.

Lord Albemarle is a remarkable man, perhaps the most active sportsman of his years. In his youth he was a keen cyclist. He was the first, it is said, to use the phrase "To motor," and he has sailed his yacht at Cowes for 40 years or more.

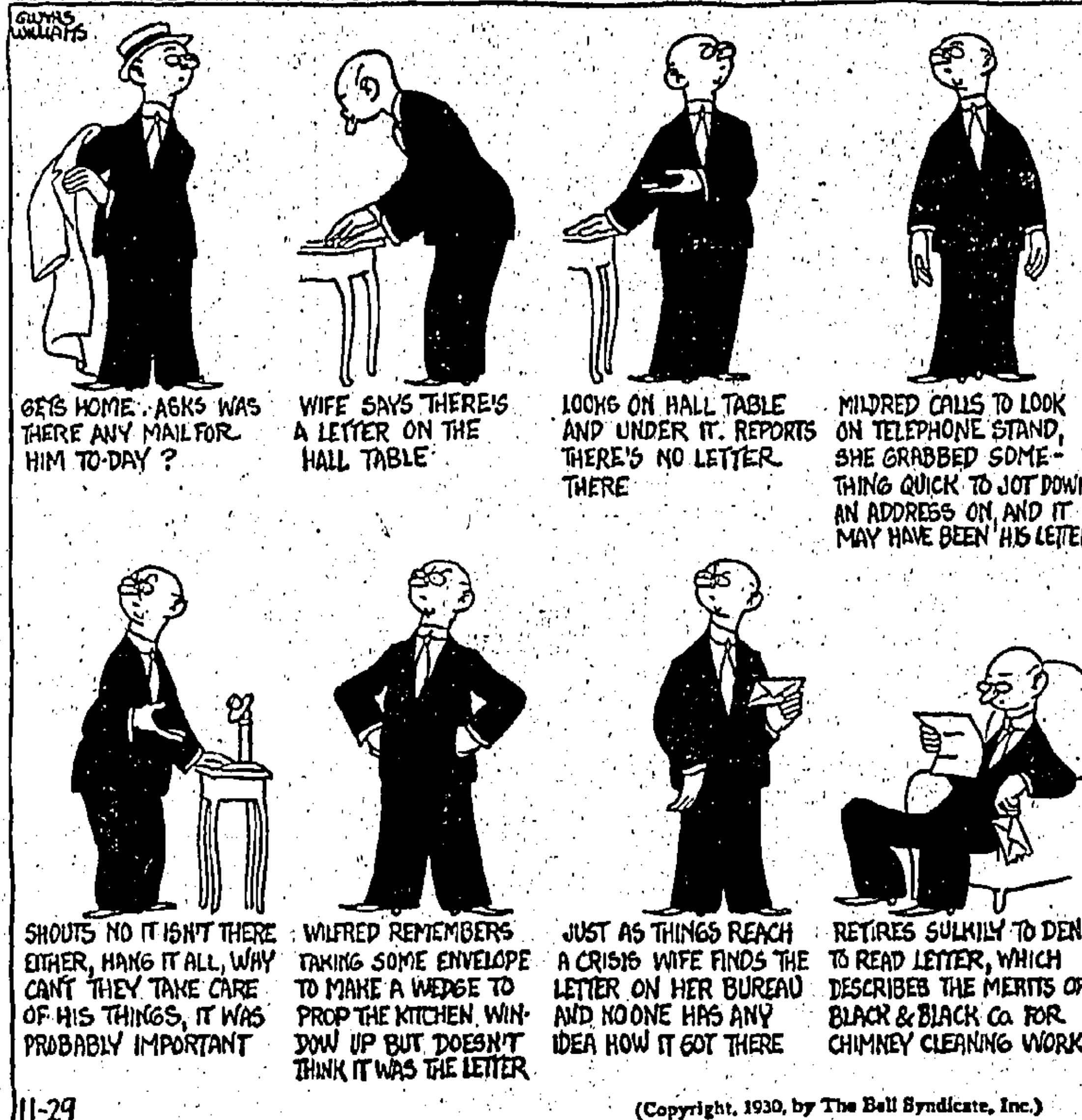
He has been shooting quite a lot of foxes in his lifetime.

After we had examined the golden wedding gifts, I asked Lady Albemarle—extremely handsome, gracious and young looking—for her advice to those who want to live a long and happily married life.

"Well," she said, "I should say you need a good temper—no one can be happily married without it—cheerfulness and unselfishness."

THE FAMILY ALBUM—HOME MAIL

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

THE TRAGEDY OF SIR
CHARLES ROYDS.CORONER DECIDES NOT TO
HOLD INQUEST.

At a ball held in London on January 6, a woman who was present did not take part in the dancing. Instead, she was thinking of the man who was to have been her partner, but who collapsed and died while they were rehearsing for the ball.

He was Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Royds, Acting Commissioner of Metropolitan Police. The Westminster coroner has decided that no inquest is to be held on Sir Charles, as he is satisfied that death was due to natural causes. A heart attack is believed to have been the cause.

At the special request of Lady Royds, the Strauss Ball in aid of the Maternity Services (National Birthday Trust Fund) the rehearsal of which Sir Charles attended, took place.

Mrs. Fitzmaurice, who on the ball committee, was to have partnered Sir Charles. She said:

"We are responding to the request of Lady Royds, though we all feel the loss most keenly. We are going ahead for the sake of the charity for which the ball was organised."

"Naturally, I shall feel the occasion most acutely, as Sir Charles was to have been my partner. When the dance comes on I know as I stand out that I shall be thinking of Sir Charles, who passed away so tragically while rehearsing last night."

Question of Successor.

The question of Admiral Royds' successor was discussed in police circles widely.

In the past it has been the policy to appoint naval or military officers to the executive positions at Scotland Yard, but it is thought in some quarters that future promotions should be made from within the service.

(Continued on next Column.)

HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

ANOTHER DELIGHTFUL
CONCERT.

An excellent concert was held yesterday afternoon at the Helena May Institute before a deeply appreciative audience.

Mrs. Gregory's "Nostalgia Andalus" (Martinez) and "Melodia" (Leonavallo) were much applauded and the orchestra sounded off a first rate programme with some tuneful selections.

The programme was:

1. (a) Souvenir d'Printemps Holbrook.

(b) A Forest Melody Montague Phillips.

2. Les Papillons... d'Ambrosia. Mrs. SANOZA.

3. (a) Nostalgia Andalus Martinez.

(b) Cancion Malagueña Anglada Ochoa.

Mrs. GREGORY.

4. Two English Dances... Quilter. The Orchestra.

5. (a) Vissi d'Arte... Tosca Puccini.

(b) Mon Cœur s'ouvre a ta voix... "Samson et Dalilah" Saint-Saens. Mrs. SANOZA.

6. (a) Melodia... Leonavallo.

(b) Chanson Bohème Bizet.

Mrs. GREGORY.

7. (a) Chanson d'Amour... Elgar.

(b) Cigue... Edward German.

Sir Trevor Bigham, who is to be the Acting Commissioner until the return of Lord Byng, is mentioned as a candidate for the vacant position. Since the retirement of General Sir Wyndham Childs, Sir Trevor has been the Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Criminal Investigation Department. A son of Lord Mersey (formerly Mr. Justice Bigham), Sir Trevor was called to the Bar in 1901. He became Chief Constable of the Metropolitan Police in 1909, and has been an Assistant Commissioner since 1914.

TELEVISION.

AN ADVANCE, SAY
SCIENTISTS.

LONG WAY TO GO.

Four distinguished scientists witnessed a demonstration of the new television system at the Physical and Optical Society Exhibition at the Imperial College of Science.

They were Sir Arthur Eddington, Sir Ambrose Fleming, Sir Charles Parsons and Sir Frank Dyson.

After seeing the experiment, they gave their opinion that it was a distinct advance upon anything that had been done so far.

An official of the Gramophone Company said after the demonstration:

"While it is unquestionable that a broadcasting development will come eventually, as suggested in a London paper, it is necessary, in the public interest, to emphasize that we are claiming this only as an advanced laboratory experiment."

The difficulties.

"Our view is that any television system which would possess a real entertainment value is still in the experimental laboratory stage."

"What are the difficulties which have to be overcome before extensive commercial development can take place?" asked a reporter.

"A practical difficulty is that of distance," was the reply. "Although we have the best telephone system in the world the lines are not made for carrying electrical frequencies up to 25,000 per second, and thus a difficulty of mechanisation is presented."

"The frequencies in this system are 25,000, and the amplifiers used are capable of this without distortion, a feat not previously achieved."

Definition Good.

"How about definition?"

"Surprisingly good. You can read tram numbers in street scenes, but we must get it better."

"Any flicker problems?"

"Yes, there is a certain amount of flicker. This is a problem we are tackling now, and hope to eliminate it. On the other hand, there is no jumpiness."

THE SILVER SCREEN.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"MEN OF THE NORTH."

A story which is engrossing from its very first reel and which never lets up on punch and excitement until the very last climax is to be seen at the Queen's Theatre, where Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer is showing "Men of the North."

Here is a talkie for those who are tired of hot-house plots and drawing-room situations, two-listed drama of the north, which mingles its forceful narrative with picturesque scenery of the Sierra Mountains.

The action centres about Louis the Fox, Canadian trapper, who disregards the jealous anger of a halfbreed girl for an infatuation with Nedra, daughter of Ruskin, a millionaire Miner. When a series of robberies takes place in the district, the halfbreed girl gets her revenge by throwing suspicion on Louis, who is forced to flee, followed by Sergeant Mooney of the Mounted Police.

The resulting adventures in the snow country between the fugitive from justice, and his pursuer, make up the remainder of the tale, which is brought to a fast conclusion with an entirely unexpected climax.

Expert work is done by Gilbert Roland as Louis the Fox, and he is ably supported by the attractive Barbara Leonard, who plays the feminine lead; Arnold Korff in the rôle of the millionaire; Robert Elliott as Sergeant Mooney, George Davis in a comic corporal role; Nena Quartaro as the halfbreed girl and Robert Graves, Jr., as a priest.

"TEMPLE TOWER."

"Melodrama as you like it." That's a phrase with meaning. In the words of the old nursery rhyme, "some like it hot, some like it cold," or, as applied to the heavier forms of dramatic entertainment, some want a thrill a minute and plenty of shudders and breathless moments while others prefer to derive audible amusement from the villain's menaces and the heroine's squeals.

With the idea of catering to both types of theatregoers Fox Movietone has produced as innovation in talking picture melodrama with its "Temple Tower," the latest of H.C. McNeill's "Bulldog Drummond" novels to reach the screen. Clever treatment of this exciting story has resulted in a unique offering which is sure to please every audience when it opens on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

Kenneth MacKenna adds new laurels by his portrayal of "Bulldog Drummond" and Marjoline Day is a charming heroine.

CENTRAL THEATRE.

THE RIVER OF ROMANCE.

The southern accent which she picked away in vocal moth balls a few years ago, was brought out for an airing recently by Mary Brian, dark-eyed actress. Miss Brian, heroine of many a romantic part in the screen drama, plays the rôle of "Lucy" Rogers starring picture, "River of Romance," which comes to the Central Theatre for a four days' run beginning to-day.

Director Wallace specified that all in the cast must have southern accents to further the realism of the spoken dialogue in the picture, which is all-talking.

Miss Brian was born in Corsicana, Texas. In the four years that she has forged ahead in pictures, achieving the front rank as a Paramount featured player, her Dixie drawl has become almost imperceptible. But when the first "shots" of "River of Romance" were made, it was clear to all on the set that Miss Brian had had no difficulty in resurrecting her lolling, limpid lingo.

Her first support of Rogers was in "The Sign of the Cross." The players include Henry B. Walthall, veteran of the stage and the screen since "Birth of a Nation"; Wallace Beery, "burly good" bad man of the films; Mr. George Fawcett, June Collyer, Walter McCollister, George Reed and Fred Kohler.

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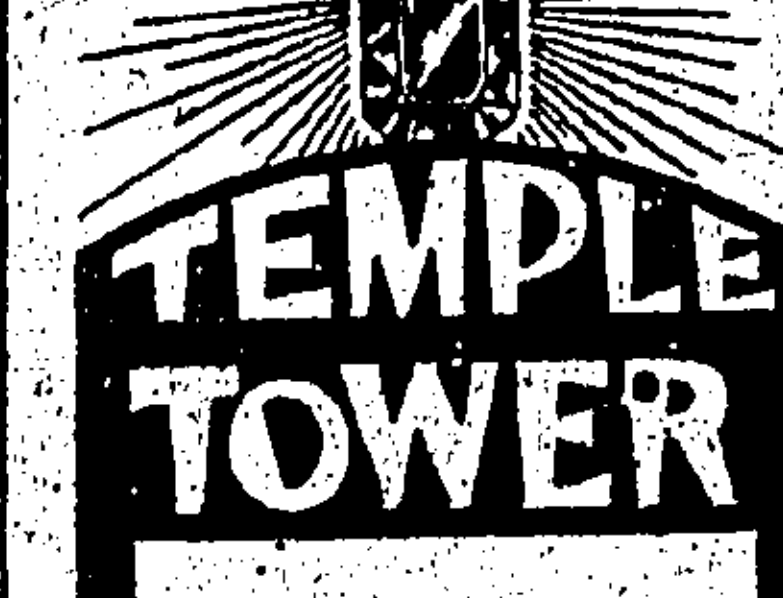
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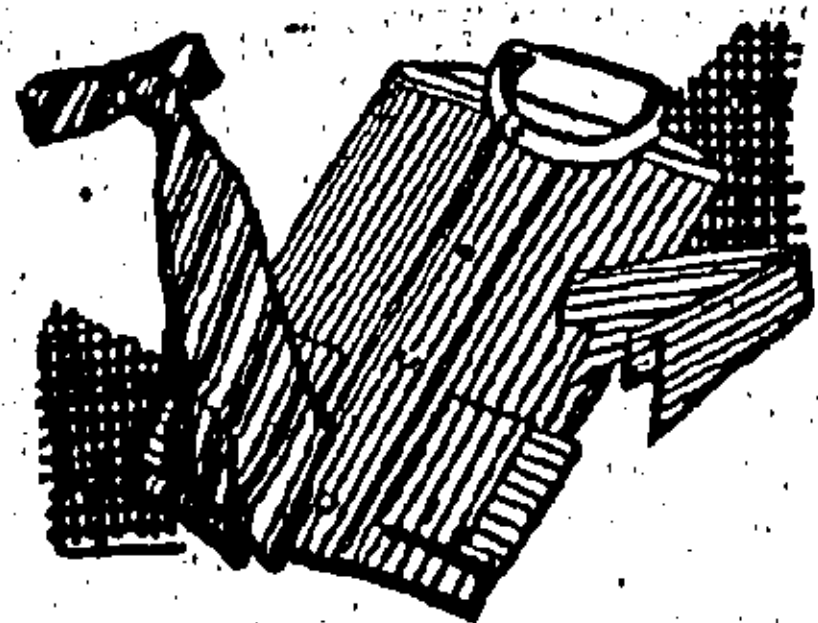
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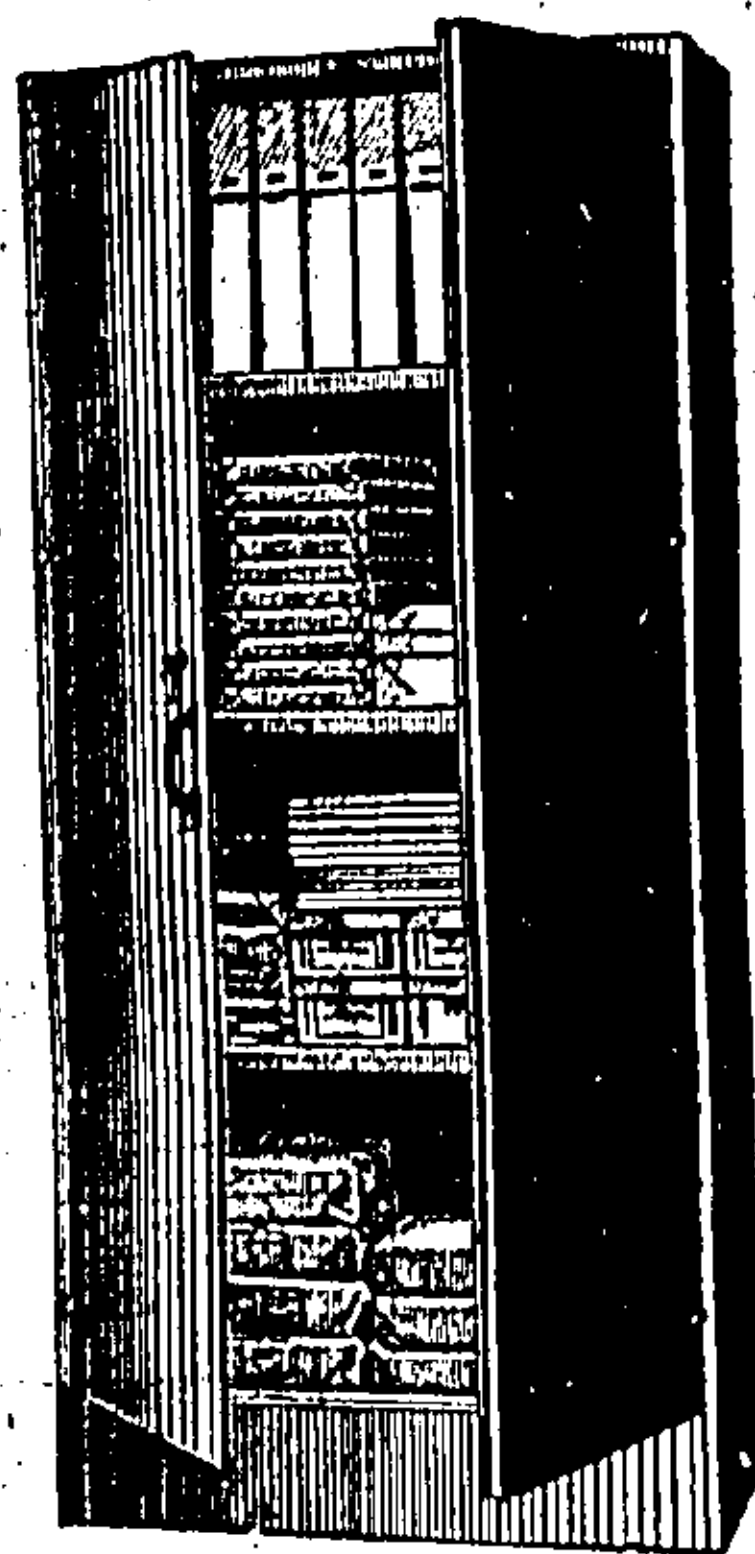
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INDIAN SCHOOL PRIZE DAY.

URDU SHOULD NOT BE
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RELATIVE VALUES
COMPARED.

The value of Urdu to Indian students in Hong Kong was discussed by Mr. A. O. Aruelli at the annual distribution of prizes of the Ellis Kadoorie School which took place yesterday.

Mr. A. T. Hamilton (Headmaster), presided, and welcomed the visitors who included Mr. R. Sutherland (representing the Education Department), Rev. G. E. S. Updehill (Headmaster-elect), Mrs. Sutherland and Mrs. Hamilton.

Headmaster's Report.

The Headmaster's report, in part, was as follows:—
It is with great satisfaction indeed that I have to report a vast improvement in Urdu. At the examination just held, 80 per cent. passed compared with 64 per cent. and 64 per cent. at the two previous examinations.

This reflects very great credit on Mr. Channan-Singh who takes the whole of the Urdu throughout the school. The credit is all the greater when one considers the difficulty he has to contend with in teaching boys who look upon Urdu as a foreign language.

We have adequate grounds for the playing of football and cricket, both of which games are still very popular during the winter months. In the summer we have ping-pong and swimming. The annual sports meeting held on January 20th was a very successful gathering, at which nearly every boy in the school competed in some form or other.

Healthy Surroundings.

I think you will agree with me that situated as we are among such pleasant surroundings the boys cannot but have good health. Besides taking advantage of our grounds for various forms of sport, a very pleasing feature in the outdoor classes when the weather is favourable. Then we have Physical Drill during winter months. All these factors I am sure are of considerable benefit from a health point of view. Our thanks are again due to Mrs. Minett, Medical Officer for Schools, and to Dr. Laing for their help and advice during the year. We are also indebted to Mr. M. A. Khan of our own staff for vaccinating nearly every boy in the school.

The School Library although small is well used and the boys find it of great assistance in their studies. The Garden is still flourishing and continues to be a source of interest.

After distributing the awards, Mr. Aruelli addressed the students and said that his father took a great part in the foundation of the school, and he also liked to keep in touch with its activities; anything which he could do for the school was a labour of love.

Study of Urdu.

It appeared that there had been much more study of Urdu during the past year. It was made a compulsory subject when the school first started, and it had remained a compulsory subject. There were two classes of boys who attended the school: the boy with the Indian domicile and the boy with the local domicile. The former, when he left that school, returned to India to complete his studies, and, after leaving school there, entered into business in India where the study of Urdu was necessary. There, for such a boy, it was very essential that he should study Urdu, and such study should be encouraged.

The latter class of boy, however, did not speak the language in his home, and when he left that school, he entered a higher school in Hong Kong, where the language was not taught. After leaving the higher school, he entered local employment where the language was not necessary. For such a boy he thought the study of Urdu should be optional, thus allowing him to study some other subject or to concentrate on existing subjects. He hoped the parents would give the matter consideration.

He regretted to know that Mr. Hamilton was leaving, although he hoped it was only temporarily. In Mr. Updehill, however, the school had a worthy successor, and he hoped his stay with them would be a pleasant and successful one. To the boys who had not managed to win prizes that day he would congratulate them on their efforts, and remind them that they had acquired the habit of diligence, and had made the key with which to

Prize-Winners.

Class 4.—Bashir Ahmed, 1st Prize and Government Scholarship for three years; Nazir Ahmed, 2nd Prize and Government Scholarship for three years; Ibrahim, Wu Hay (Continued on next Column).

LADIES' NIGHT AT THE Y.M.C.A.

AN ENJOYABLE
PROGRAMME.

Ladies' night at the European Y.M.C.A. yesterday evening was thoroughly enjoyed by an unusually large number of guests, even for these popular functions. There was a big party for the excellent dinner with which proceedings started, and, when the entertainment began the lounge was packed to the doors, and through into the library. Mrs. Rendall gave the programme an exceedingly good send off with her song "Break of Day," which was promptly encored. One could not help thinking what an acquisition Mrs. Rendall's beautifully trained voice and clear enunciation would be to the Philharmonic Society.

The feature of the A.A. Milne play, "The Camberley Triangle," was the modest and natural acting of G. Sims in a perfectly odious part. Mr. T. J. Price was good as the self-possessed husband, who had learned a wrinkle or two from the Turks, and Kathleen P. Curtin as the war bride, but neither of them had anything like as difficult a job as Mr. Sims. The only fault about Mr. Sims' interpretation was that he certainly didn't look the part!

Mr. G. W. McLeod sang the ever-popular Facetum song from the Barber of Seville and gave a Scottish song on being recalled.

The latter part of the performance consisted of "In Port," very well acted by W. Robertson, S. M. West and J. J. Ferguson, songs by Mr. G. W. McLeod and Arnold Bennett's "The Stepmother," in which the parts were taken as follows:—Cora Prout (a popular novelist and a widow), Margaret Birt; Adrian Prout (her stepson), E. R. Price; Thomas Gardner (a doctor), G. F. Rees; Christine Feversham (Mrs. Prout's Secretary), Wendy Orme.

The plays were produced by Mr. W. Robertson, Mr. J. C. Grenham being responsible for staging and effects. Miss N. A. McNeillie was the accompanist.

Programme.

The full programme was as follows:—

1. Song Mrs. Rendall.
2. "The Camberley Triangle," a Comedy in one Act by A. A. Milne.

Kate Camberley Kathleen P. Curtin.
Cyril Norwood (her lover) G. Sims.
Dennis Camberley (her husband) T. J. Price.
Scene: Kate Camberley's Drawing Room.

Time: An evening in the year 1919.

3. Song Mr. G. W. McLeod.
4. "In Port," a Drama.

Mr. Justice Atherley, W. Robertson. Robert Adderley S. M. West.
Fletcher J. J. Ferguson.
Scene: Dining Room in the home of Mr. Justice Atherley.

Time: Evening.

5. Song Mr. G. W. McLeod.
6. "The Stepmother," a Farce in one act by Arnold Bennett.

Cora Prout (a popular novelist and a widow) Margaret Birt.
Adrian Prout (her stepson) E. R. Price.
Thomas Gardner (a doctor) G. F. Rees.
Christine Feversham (Mrs. Prout's Secretary) Wendy Orme.

Scene: Mrs. Prout's study.

Time: Morning.
Staging and Effects, J. C. Grenham.
At the Piano, Nancy A. McNeillie.
The Plays produced by W. Robertson.
God Save The King.

Tong Scholarship for three years; A. R. Marker, Ellis Kadoorie Scholarship to Queen's College for one year; Nazir Ahmed, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; Bashir Ahmed, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; Ibrahim Prout for Urdu.

Class 5.—F. A. Curreen, 1st Prize and Government Scholarship for one year; Mohamed Hassan, 2nd Prize; F. A. Curreen, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; F. A. Curreen, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; Nayanian Singh, Prize for Urdu.

Class 6.—Abdul Qadar, 1st Prize and Government scholarship for one year; Shek Hassan, 2nd Prize; D. Shamsuddin, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; Abdul Qadar, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; A. R. Khan, Prize for Urdu.

Class 7.—Ali Mohamed, 1st Prize and Government Scholarship for one year; Abdou, 2nd Prize; Ali Mohamed, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; Lal Shai, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; Surat Singh, Prize for Urdu.

Class 8A.—Tara Singh, 1st Prize and Government Scholarship for one year; Lal Singh, 2nd Prize; Tara Singh, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition and Geography; Tara Singh, Prize for Urdu.

Class 8B.—Shek Mohamed, 1st Prize; Aziz Ahmed, 2nd Prize; Inzar Singh, Prize for Urdu.
Special Prize presented by Mr. A. R. Sutherland.—Won by Bashir Ahmed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

POPSY IS HELPFUL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

My Dear Editor,—I think Syncope perfectly horrid when I'm trying to be helpful and I'm always ready to admit when I'm wrong. For instance, Tubby says that I was too absolutely erroneous about the currents. He says it isn't that sort of thing at all and its no good trying to explain to a girl because its all mixed up with Buy-Medallism—but I say why not, my dear, if anyone wants to buy them now's the time while silver's cheap and poor Sir William might make pots of money out of them.

Tubby says the trouble is that everyone is trying to turn silver into gold, but that's what the old Anarchists tried to do and couldn't. He says that when I send to London for a frock the banker gives him a draft on Stirling but that's too silly because there are lots of places nearer London and anyhow if the banker gives him the draft why does he swear when I want a new frock?

Last night Maud and Angus dined with us—quite a gathering of the indigentia, as Angus said. Tubby said that what we want is vigorous entrenchment and Angus says he knows where just the sort of trenches for the civil servants are and that's Happy Valley and he says poor Sir William ought to have them all to dinner and poison them like the Borzois used to do when people turned nasty.

And, my dear, they think that's a lovely idea about making the civil servants work at night on the census. Angus says the whole trend of modern philanthropy is to make people work for longer hours and less pay, but that nothing will come of it because there'll be such a rush of Volunteers from the General Public now no one has any business to do. Tubby says it wouldn't be a bad idea always to make them work at night and then they could sleep in their offices all day just like they do now and the Government could make ever so much money by letting their houses.

Angus suggested that half the trouble is the P.W.D. recurring, but when Bonzo had the mange and the Vet. said that that might recur I gave him a powder and he broke his chain and we've never seen him since. Could they give the D.P.W. one? You can get them at Watsons.—Yours helpfully.

POPSY.

Hong Kong, February 5.

ANY BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS?

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—No answer to my question! The Colony has been declared insolvent and presumably the Legislative Council faced the consequences of that declaration.

May I enquire further? Have the members of the Legislative Council placed their resignation in the hands of the Governor?

Is the Secretary of State appointing the equivalent of a Trustee in Bankruptcy? Will there be a Public examination?

My suggestions are based on analogy not precedent as I cannot find in the British Empire any precedent for the Government arranging a composition with its creditors though I believe Charles I. got into difficulties and Stephen and John are strongly suspected.

CALL A SPADE-A SPADE
AND INSOLVENCY
BANKRUPTCY.
Hong Kong, February 5.

CHINESE RAILWAY APPOINTMENTS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Feb. 5.
Mr. Lau Kook Ho, managing director of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, has been transferred to the post of managing director of the South Branch of the Canton-Hankow Railway, in succession to Mr. Chen Yu Min, who has been called to Nanking to take up an important post in the Ministry of Finance.

Mr. Lau Kook Ho's successor is Mr. Tse Po Tsiu, a secretary of the Ministry of Railways of the Nanking Government.
No definite date has been fixed for Mr. Lau and Mr. Tse to take up their respective duties.

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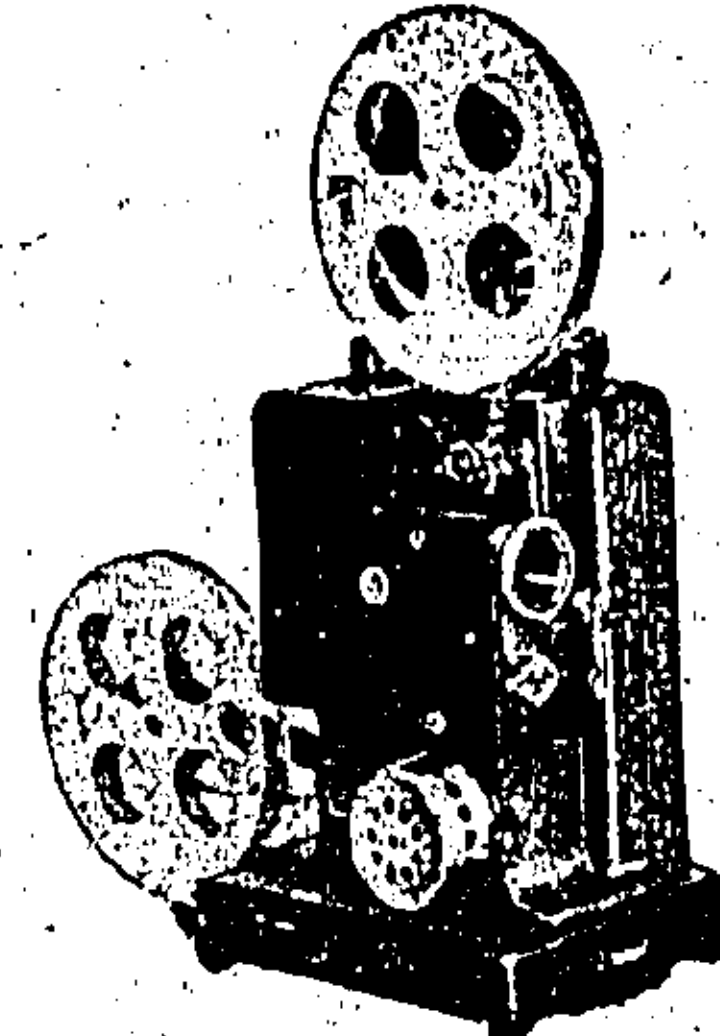
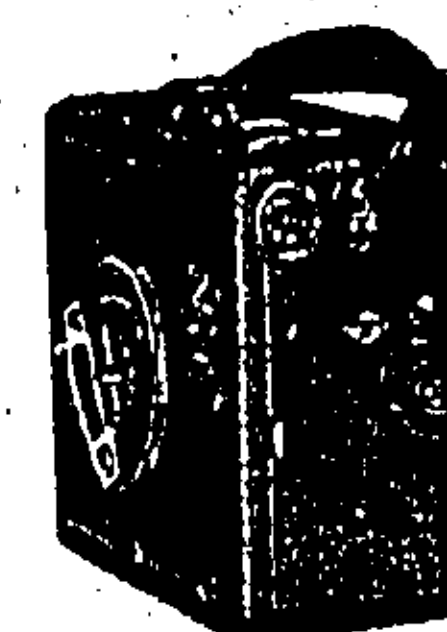


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HOWLED DOWN AT STORMY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

CLOSELY CROSS-EXAMINED BY PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL.

When the case in which the Sze Yap Steamship Company is seeking an injunction against certain shareholders to restrain them from acting as directors and otherwise interfering with the management of the company was continued at the Supreme Court yesterday, more evidence was given of a noisy meeting in which violent language was used.

The case for the plaintiff closed at noon, and the solicitor instructing Council for the defence, who gave evidence of his recollections during his presence at the meeting, was cross-examined at length by the other side.

SHIPPING COMPANY'S TROUBLES.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed Mr. F. X. d'Almada, sr., is appearing for the plaintiff, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada, sr., is for the defendants. In continuing the evidence for the plaintiff's case, Chan Chi Fong, a witness, said that when Mr. Li Yu Tong took the chair, he announced that the meeting was called for the purpose of discussing chartering the ships and payment of a dividend. There was much noise and no resolutions resulted at all.

Mr. Potter: How came it that Mr. Li left the chair?—He left the chair because of the noise. He said he had to leave the chair as he did not want to carry on.

What was the attitude of the meeting? Did they want him to stay or not?—People present tried to detain him, and asked him to carry on, but he refused and left. About 30 or 40 people left with him.

Witness said that after Mr. Li left, another chairman was appointed.

Cross-examined by Mr. Jenkin, witness said that he was a member of the Protective Committee. He had nothing to do with writing up the minute book.

Is Ma Kung Chang, the man to whom the requisition was first given to attend in the Colony?—Yes, but he is not in Court.

On the proposal of one of the shareholders, seconded by another shareholder, Mr. Li put the resolution to the meeting that the company's ships should be chartered?—No such thing happened.

That resolution was voted upon and carried?—No.

ONLY NOISE.

And it was further voted upon and carried that a dividend should be paid if the company's funds warranted it?—No. There was noise only. No such thing was put to the meeting.

I put it to you that the requisition, by the consent of the meeting, was not dealt with at all?—No such thing happened.

That the chairman asked the meeting whether they desired to conduct any further business, and, if not, he would close the meeting?—He never said he would close the meeting.

And no objection being raised to the proposal, he accordingly declared the meeting closed?—No. The chairman never made any mention of closing the meeting.

The meeting then dispersed peacefully?—No, when the chairman left only about 30 or 40 people followed him, and there remained over 100 in the room.

You do not suggest, do you, that Mr. Li has been in any way at all associated with either of the two rival parties in this company?—No, I do not say that. He was a neutral man.

I put it to you that in his conduct of the meeting he showed absolutely no leaning towards either one side or the other?—None.

If the chairman asked the witness-box that, in fact, those two resolutions were put, voted upon and carried, and that the meeting then dispersed peacefully, can you suggest any motive why he should give that evidence?—No.

"TELLING LIES."

And if the sergeant in charge of police, who was on duty, says that the meeting dispersed peacefully, and only 30 or 40 people were left behind under the chairmanship of the other chairman, what do you say to that?—If he comes into the witness-box and says that, I may be telling lies.

You know Mr. Leo d'Almada, senior?—Yes.

He was the only solicitor present when Mr. Li left the chair?—Yes.

If Mr. d'Almada says that the meeting dispersed, and that the great majority of people left the building, do you say that is wholly incorrect?—I say it is incorrect.

Mr. Leo d'Almada was the first witness called for the defendants' case, he having attended the meeting representing five of the seven directors who were present. Witnesses said that the meeting lasted from about 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and there were approximately two hundred people present. When witness left the meeting, a big crowd also left. Judging by the number of people in the streets, he thought everybody had left the meeting at that time.

Mr. Jenkin: Did you know anything at that time of any proposal to continue the meeting under a new chairman?

Mr. d'Almada: I hadn't the foggiest notion; as I told you just now, I thought everybody had left the building.

VIOLENT LANGUAGE.

Describing what took place at the meeting, Mr. d'Almada said that according to his knowledge of the Chinese language, one of those present proposed, after a lot of discussion, during which most violent language had been used, that they should not proceed with any of the questions with the exception of the charter of the two ships and the payment of a dividend if the assets warranted it. After being duly seconded, this suggestion was adopted without opposition. Before the meeting closed, the chairman asked if there was any other business and there being no reply, he declared the meeting closed.

Witness said that the first time he had heard another meeting had taken place that afternoon was in the middle of August.

SOLICITOR CROSS-EXAMINED.

In answer to Mr. Potter's opening questions in cross-examination, Mr. d'Almada said that it was not until the recent requisition that he became aware there was considerable dissatisfaction with the policy of the old directors.

Mr. Potter: Did you know that for some reason the directors refused to convene the meeting and that the shareholders themselves convened it?—Yes.

Did you have before the meeting took place a copy of the requisition?—I had.

And you knew upon that requisition there appeared some points?—Yes.

Do you agree with me that they were points of the utmost importance?—Clearly.

They were a censure of the directors and their removal among other things?—Yes.

And you would expect that there might be a \$50,000 contest on the point?—I expected there would be a scrap as there had been scraps before this.

And you went to that meeting fully expecting a serious scrap?—Yes.

And our party even took the precaution of having police present?—I did not expect the police to be present, but they were there.

Of course, the police were there because Mr. Ng Tung Kai has told us that he had arranged for it. So that it is fairly obvious that he expected trouble at that meeting?—Yes.

The Chief Justice: Did you go there with the intention of addressing the meeting?—Yes.

Witness: I did not go there with that intention.

Mr. Potter: You did address the meeting?—Yes, but I was stopped.

HOWLED DOWN.

In answer to a question as to why he attempted to address the meeting, Mr. d'Almada said that his sole object in doing so was to pacify the gathering, but he was howled down.

Mr. Potter: I suppose it would be fair to say that you were howled down by the requisitionists?—Yes.

It would be right to say that the requisitionists were taking up a strong line?—Against me, yes, because they howled me down.

This was a very stormy meeting?—Undoubtedly.

And very bitter feeling was displayed by both sides?—Yes.

It wasn't a class of meeting which would be easily pacified?—I agree.

After stating that the resolutions were of paramount importance and should have been put to the meeting one by one, Counsel said, I put it to you that, as a lawyer and as a person accustomed to attend company meetings, nothing except the strongest reasons should dissuade a chairman from putting these resolutions to the meeting?—Yes.

Was there a body of shareholders at that meeting who wanted these eight resolutions put to the meeting?—There were only a few. There were 180 requisitionists, leaving out those who signed twice as holders of shares, and assuming they were all present, how many of that number were in favour of the eight resolutions being put to the meeting?—About 18 or 20 were speaking, but how many were in favour I cannot say.

A MODERN DEMOSTHENES.

In answer to other questions, witness said that during the time the people were arguing and making a noise, one shareholder rose and addressed the meeting for some time and the noise subsided. This person suggested three points only should be put to the meeting, and they referred to the chartering of steamers, paying of a dividend, and a suggestion that the other six resolutions should not be considered. A proposal embodying these three points was put to the meeting by the chairman and carried.

Mr. Potter: I put it to you that you are hopelessly and wholly wrong?—That is your opinion.

Our case is that up to the time Mr. Li Yu Tong left the chair there was pandemonium. I put it to you that your recollection is wholly at fault because the majority of those present were opposed to the suppression of the eight resolutions. No, I was guided by a show of hands.

Do you know the name of the eloquent gentleman who convinced the meeting?—I don't know.

It would be interesting to know him because he must be a modern Demosthenes. Can you tell me what the eloquent gentleman had to say so as to convince the meeting?—No.

The next witness was Mr. Li Yu Tong, who was the chairman at the meeting. Witness gave the name of the shareholder who addressed the meeting, and said that he spoke for about three minutes. Another shareholder, spoke for about a minute and made a proposal, which was seconded by a third person and the motion was carried by a majority of about 70 per cent. The meeting then dispersed and witness estimated that about 180 of those attending it left at the same time as witness.

The case adjourned at this stage until this morning.

ESTATE DUTIES.

ATTORNEY GENERAL SPEAKS ON NEW BILL.

RESULT OF SEVERAL YEARS' WORK.

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Bill to amend the law relating to Estate Duty passed its first reading. Details of this Bill were published in the Daily Press on Monday last and the Hon. the Attorney-General explained some of the principal changes yesterday.

Five other Bills, which had passed their first readings at an earlier meeting of the Legislative Council, passed their second and third readings yesterday.

There were present:—

H.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E.
H.E. Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
The Hon. Colonial Secretary, Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E.
The Attorney-General, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.
The Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. R. A. O. North.
The Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E.
The Hon. Mr. H. T. Crenay, C.B.E. (Director of Public Works).
The Hon. Mr. E. D. O. Wolfe, C.M.G. (Inspector General of Police).
The Hon. Commander C. F. Hole, R.N. (retired) (Harbour Master).
The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt.
The Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.
The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.
The Hon. Mr. T'ao Seen Wan, O.B.E., LL.D.
The Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie.
The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson.
Mr. N. L. Smith (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

Estate Duties.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of "a Bill to amend the law relating to Estate Duty."

He said:—Sir, I rise to move the first reading of a Bill to amend the law relating to Estate Duty. The scheme of the Bill gives the new rates of estate duty. In the case of estates between \$1,000 and \$5,000 in value, the new duty is to be half of the old, one per cent., instead of two per cent. Up to \$10,000 it is to remain at two per cent., and up to \$25,000 it is to remain at three per cent., these being the present rates on such estates. After \$25,000 it is to rise to four per cent.; after \$50,000 to five per cent., and thence, by stages of one per cent. at a time, until a maximum of 12 per cent. is to be paid in respect of estates exceeding \$250,000.

The present maximum which has been in force since 1916, is eight per cent., for estates exceeding \$250,000, but therein the Colony has been exceptionally fortunate compared with other places. In the Straits Settlements, for many years it has been 12 per cent. for estates exceeding \$1,500,000.

Maximum of 40 per cent. at Home.

In some Colonies and in the United Kingdom, the maximum reaches 40 per cent. At the same time the Bill makes many amendments in the Ordinance of 1915, generally bringing it into closer agreement with the legislation of the United Kingdom, not so much, however, with that object in view as with the objects of improving the machinery for collection and of closing the avenues of evasion. It results from the suggestions of many parts, extending over several years, law officers, estate duty commissioners and their assistants, and last but by no means least, practising solicitors representing the Incorporated Law Society of Hong Kong.

It has not been an easy Bill to draft. Local conditions are not the same as those at Home, and there may be two opinions as to some of the clauses of the Bill. If these are pointed out either at or before the debates on the second reading at the next meeting, I, for one, will welcome the expression of such views to the Standard Law Committee under Order 27 of the Standing Orders of this Council. I now move the first reading of the Bill.

Seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the Bill passed its first reading.

The following Bills passed their final stages at yesterday's meeting:—

"A Bill to provide for the registration of nurses for the sick."
"A Bill to amend further the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908."
"A Bill to amend further the Public Health and Building Ordinance, 1905, and an Enactment referring thereto."
"A Bill to make provision for taking from time to time the Census of the Colony."
"A Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1900."

(Continued at foot of next column.)

WAS IT SUICIDE?

EUROPEAN WALKS OFF PIER INTO HARBOUR.

UNKNOWN MAN'S STRANGE ACT.

A report has been made to the police by Mr. R. Goss, fourth officer on the R.M.S. Empress of Japan of the mysterious disappearance of a European, who is said to have walked off Wharf No 5 (Kowloon Godowns) into the harbour in the early hours of yesterday.

The officer said that about 2 a.m. he saw the man, whose name is unknown, go on board the liner. He was then apparently under the influence of liquor. The man then left the liner and walked to the end of the wharf when he fell into the water. He was apparently in difficulties so Mr. Goss threw life-buoys into the water but the man ignored them and swam away. Suddenly he disappeared from view.

Mr. Goss then raised an alarm which attracted No 6 Police launch but despite the fact that a search was carried out for about an hour in the vicinity, no signs of the man were found. According to the report, the man appeared to be about 25 years of age and spoke with a strong Scots accent.

Up to a late hour last night the body had not been recovered.

KIDNAPPERS SENT TO GAOL.

BOY'S ASTUTENESS LEADS TO ARREST.

Sentences of one year's hard labour and twenty-four strokes of the birch were passed on each of two Chinese who pleaded guilty before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday to charges of kidnapping a boy. Another man, who was convicted on a charge of receiving the kidnapped boy, was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour.

It was stated that the men belonged to a gang of kidnappers with headquarters in Kowloon City. On January 17 they enticed two boys to King's Park, "to catch birds." They then managed to kidnap one of them, the other boy making good his escape. The latter youth saw the kidnappers again on February 3, coming down the stairs of a house in Austin Road. He informed the parents of the kidnapped boy, who gathered some constables, and after a fight, arrested the two men.

The "receiver" was arrested in a hut in Kowloon City.

ROBBER GANG CAUGHT.

SMART SENTENCES ON FOUR MEN.

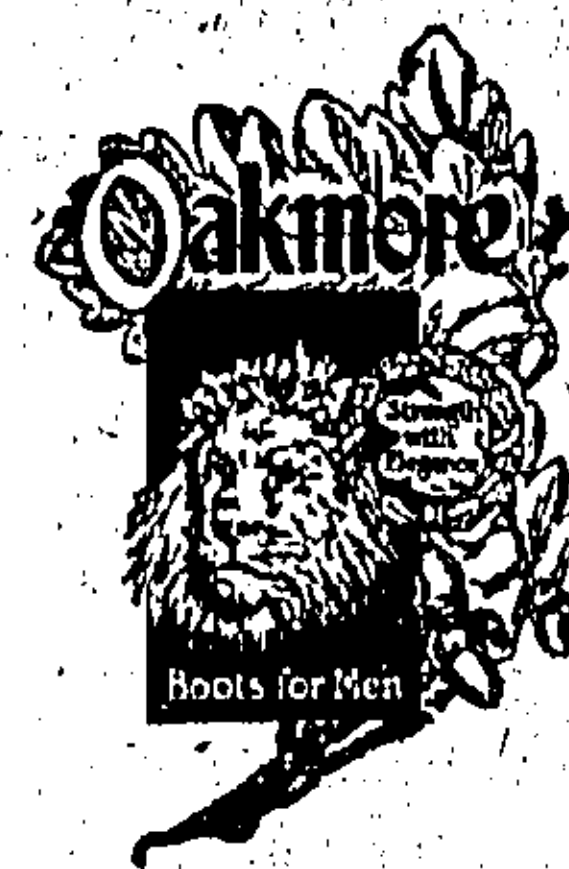
Before Mr. H. R. Butters yesterday, three Chinese were charged with the larceny on January 12, of various articles to the value of \$68.75, the property of Miss Hui Wong, a school teacher residing at 30, Pak Tai Street. They pleaded guilty and were each sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

The three defendants together with two others were also concerned in another larceny case, and this time they also pleaded guilty to having stolen \$15 in money and clothing to the value of \$34 from 65, Ha Heung Road, ground floor. The first, second and third were each given a period of six weeks in jail, the sentence to run consecutively with the previous one while the fourth defendant was sentenced to one month's imprisonment. The fifth man was remanded in police custody until this morning when sentence will be passed.

The first and second defendants were also charged with receiving and were each given a further period of one month in goal; this time the sentence to run concurrently with the first two. Pleading guilty to the additional charge of house-breaking at Shamshui, the first man was sentenced to two months' goal, to run concurrently with the previous sentences.

Finance Committee.

After the Legislative Council meeting, the Finance Committee approved of two votes totalling \$3,500. These were as to \$100 for the Prisons Department for special expenditure for the Kowloon Canton Railway, the money being wanted to make up for the drop in exchange in the purchase of fourteen locomotive wheel balancing machines ordered in February, 1930. The Legislative Council will meet again on Thursday, February 12.

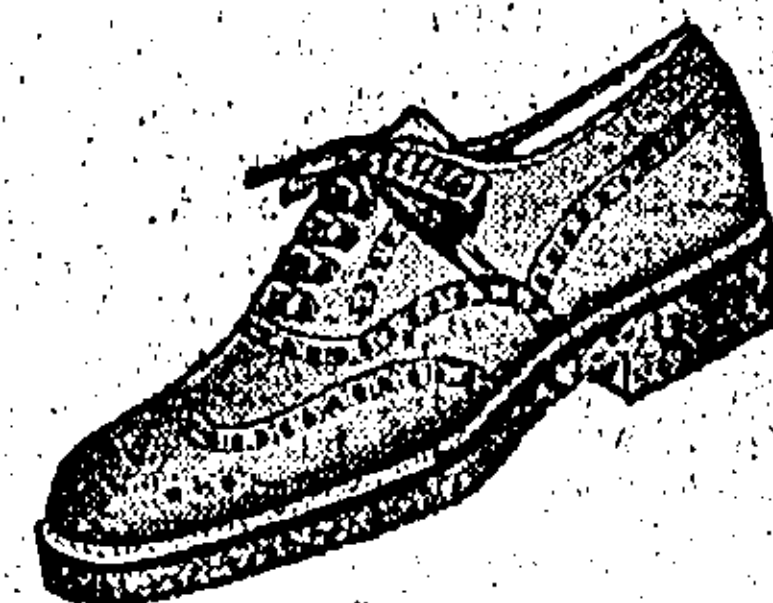


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Hong Kong, 6th Feb, 1931.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of the provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 8 of 1897, made an Order limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate within 30 days from the date hereof.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.35 p.m., stated:—

Depressions are situated over S. Japan and Tongking. An anticyclone is developing to the N. of Shantung and the monsoons will probably be re-established during the next 24 hours.

Local Forecast:—Light S. winds, freshening later; cloudy generally; with drizzle or mist.

BIRTH.

LEE.—On January 23, at Nanking, to Mavis, wife of C. R. Lee, a daughter.

DEATH.

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THE NEW ZEALAND DISASTER.

The sympathy of the whole world will go out to the sufferers in the New Zealand earthquake disaster.

No safe estimate has yet been made of the number of casualties, but it is now feared that over a thousand lives have been lost.

To English people there is added poignancy in this visitation falling upon what must have been one of the most favoured places in the world.

New Zealand calls to mind a country of surpassing beauty and good fortune. It is a land of glorious scenery, equable climate and pleasant farms and towns on the model of the unspoiled West country of England.

There is no "black country," with grimy factories, no unemployment and a remarkable standard of health.

Items of news of the earthquake confirm this picture of a prosperous community, pursuing happy uneventful lives, when the great disaster struck them.

There are pathetic stories of young girls and women killed and mutilated while shopping, of school children meeting with the same fate in their class-rooms, of a hospital falling "like a house of cards."

Fire was soon added to the horrors of the shock, and at Napier fifty oil tanks exploded.

The story at least shows how the resources of civilisation can alleviate human suffering and minimise loss of life when natural forces bring disasters of this kind.

The gallant Captain and crew of H.M.S. Veronica, a sister ship of the little sloop Cornflower, now in Hong Kong Harbour, not only rendered most admirable service, but were able to wireless for help when all other means of communication with the outside world had been destroyed.

Two cruisers with doctors, nurses and supplies have been rushed to the scene of the earthquake and other help also came in rapidly by road.

At Napier a serious situation arose owing to the destruction of the sewage system and five Moth aeroplanes are taking chlorinating plant to the town.

A complete evacuation has been ordered, however, for fear of an outbreak of disease.

A relief fund has been started and, in a well ordered and prosperous community like that of New Zealand one can rest assured that everything possible will be done, both for the injured and those who have suffered grave material loss.

To scientists the disaster probably caused no surprise. North Island is a volcanic region, there being four active volcanoes: Mount Ruapehu, Ngauruhoe, Egmont and the three-peaked mountain of Tararua.

There was a great eruption of the last in 1886 when masses of mud and dust devastated the

country for miles around, and a chasm nine miles long was opened in the earth. Besides the volcanoes, innumerable lakes and pools of boiling water, geysers, solfatanas and mud-volcanoes are warnings that the earth's crust is not firm.

Around North Island also are the great depths of ocean that geologists consider a factor in weakening the adjoining land.

We do not know what steps the New Zealand Government takes to have the study of seismology placed on a sound basis.

It is a matter of as a vital importance to that country as it is to Japan, where well subsidised scientists are perpetually at work upon all branches of research and the application of their data to every-day life.

It was the scientists of Japan who minimised the losses due to the last earthquake in November, 1930.

If the Government of New Zealand has no state department at work on this matter of life and death importance to large areas of North Island, it would do well to send a mission to Japan, where more is known about earthquakes than in any other part of the world.

Perhaps everything possible is being done. New Zealand has been one of those countries with "no history," except of steady development, and most of us have little enough knowledge of those far distant islands.

The tragedy of last Monday shows that this peaceful land may have a problem as grave as any of those that vex the troubled nations of Europe and Asia.

WHAT OUR WARSHIPS COST.

In the course of the first programme of the proposed naval construction in the United States under the London Treaty, we get an interesting insight into the much higher cost of warship building in America, as compared with England.

A cruiser of 7,500 tons, armed with 6in. guns, is estimated at \$3,302,000.

Our own Leander type, which will practically correspond with the American cruiser, is expected to cost \$1,500,000.

A flotilla leader of 1,850 tons is put down at a round million pounds sterling; destroyers of 1,500 tons at \$840,000 apiece.

On a tonnage basis these figures appear to be about forty per cent. higher than the average cost of British vessels of the same classes.

A 10,000-ton 6in. gun cruiser, fitted with a flying deck, is estimated at \$4,270,000.

Presumably, these prices represent the most economic selection from tenders submitted by the Navy yards and private firms.

America is a rich country, and can afford to pay as much for her warships as those who build them can manage to get.

But if the quotations to foreign Governments by American shipbuilding yards are on the same relative scale it is not difficult to understand why these get such a comparatively small share of any orders that are to be had nowadays.

Probably the most expensive warships ever yet laid down is the new German "pocket battleship" Ersatz Preussen, which is expected to cost \$240 a ton by the time she is completed.

The final cost of the original Dreadnought worked out at about \$107 a ton, and she was admittedly a very extravagant ship.

The Hood ran into \$140 a ton. Of our latest classes of warships, the 10,000-ton cruisers average \$220,000, and the "B" class of 8,400 tons, \$170,000.

These figures balance at a little over \$200 a ton, which indicates that if the Hood were built to-day she would cost a great deal more than when she came out shortly after the end of the war.

The two Nelsons cost close upon \$6,000,000 apiece, and, averaging their displacement of 33,000 tons, this would work out at a trifle less than \$182 a ton.

Clearly the cost of a warship does not increase in proportion to her size, for battleship construction is obviously very much more expensive than that of a cruiser.

Britain still leads the world in cheapness of naval shipbuilding, whatever she may be losing in other directions in consequence of the competition of lower wages.

★ News and Views ★

His "Good Deed."

A London clerk, who had just completed a sentence of six months in Dorchester Prison, was sent back again for 28 days for throwing a packet of tobacco over the wall for a fellow-prisoner.

Sir Edwin Lutyens Goes Over.

Sir Edwin Lutyens has left for India to take part in the inaugural ceremonies of the new Delhi. When he returns it will be probably as President of the Incorporated Association of Architects and Surveyors.

Sir Edwin gave up his membership of the Royal Institute of British Architects last year, and his taking office in the more comprehensive association will be regarded as a definite sealing of this renunciation.

England's 'Phones.

The Postmaster-general of England has announced that, as from January 1, the additional charge for the new pattern of telephone has been reduced from 4s. to 2s. a quarter.

In this pattern the mouthpiece and receiver are combined in one light instrument, which is held in one hand, leaving the other hand free.

The new type is accordingly much more convenient for many purposes than the standard candlestick pattern.

The R.A.C. and Its Members.

The action of the committee of the Royal Automobile Club in informing certain members that they have not been re-elected is surely unprecedented in clubland.

For this means that those members have, in effect, been turned out of the club, a step which hitherto has never been taken except as the result of some offence or in the event of bankruptcy.

A member of the average London club who becomes a bankrupt automatically resigns, though the committee may consider the circumstances and refuse to accept the resignation even before the member's discharge.

His Mother's Fault.

The suggestion that more harm can be done to a child through letting it hear quarrels between its parents than by the cinema or lurid posters, was put forward by Dr. Letitia Fairfield at a conference of health visitors and school nurses at Bedford College for Women.

"Very often," she said, "you find a child being punished for bad temper, rude manners and noise-making, when it is only doing in its small way exactly what it sees its own parents doing every day of their lives."

She mentioned the case of one child who developed thieving tendencies, which were said to have come from watching his mother go through his father's trousers pockets! (Laughter.)

Among passengers leaving the Colony yesterday, by the s.s. Empress of Japan was Mrs. O. Osborne, Advertising Manager of the Hong Kong Daily Press, who is proceeding to England via America.

Mrs. R. T. Barrett is taking over Mrs. Osborne's work.

While walking down Dock Street on Thursday at 6.40 p.m. Mrs. C. Millard of 3, Waverley Terrace, Kowloon Docks, had her bag snatched by a Chinese who made good his escape.

Mrs. Millard has reported the matter to the Police, stating that the bag contained money and other articles to the value of \$20.

T. Matsui, master of the Karumo Maru, a fishing trawler, which arrived in the Colony on Monday, has reported to the Harbour Office that the Mikaze Maru, another fishing trawler, went aground in the Hainan Straits.

The Karumo Maru stood by for a few days, and after repeated efforts managed to get the stranded vessel off.

A Weihaiwei police officer yesterday arrested in Bedford Street, Moonlight, a Chinese, who was found to have in his possession three daggers tied round his legs and some gags.

As the result of the arrest all ranks were notified to keep a sharp look-out as apparently an armed robbery had been contemplated in Kowloon.

The forthcoming marriages are announced. Mok Ying Kay, 11, Man Chung Fong, Happy Valley, to May O'Leary of 133, Hennessy Road; and of Charles Ying, assistant in the firm of Messrs. Hastings, Denny and Bowley, to Rita Wong, residing at 8, Fung Fai Terrace, Happy Valley.

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Assuredly our modern age is destructive of all romance. To us of the older generation the island of Robinson Crusoe glimmered always under a light that never was on land or sea.

It remained for us one of those "impossible Ecbatanas" which we never reach.

But to-day you can visit Ecbatana in a limousine, and Tobago there are many excellent hotels.

Twenty-two schoolboys have just been packed off by the Public "Schools' Empire Tours Committee to visit Trinidad, Tobago and the rest.

They will call at Robinson Crusoe's Island.

Sweets and Alcohol.

Most children are firmly rationed in sweets in these days, and one hopes that the theory put forward by a certain Dr. Leonard Williams that sweet-eating in childhood may produce a desire for alcoholic stimulation later on does not bring about still further reductions in allowances of chocolate, butter, and other nursery delights.

It is difficult to follow professional minds at times. First we are told that the childish craving for sugar is a national thing and should be indulged, now we are warned that if it is so indulged a dreadful result may follow.

Doctor Williams' argument is that the palates of children are over-stimulated by sweets, but if this reasoning is carried to a logical conclusion all the sweet things which children love would have to be cut down in their diet.

Adult sweet eaters are rarely, if ever, excessive drinkers.

'Variety's Queer Man.

Army and business readers who have been through a university are likely to reply strongly to the remarks made by Professor H. J. Paton at the International Students' Congress in Glasgow.

Professor Paton, who is Professor of Logic at the University of Glasgow, thought the small amount of brains in the country was not being distributed in the best way.

"So far as my experience of university men goes," he said, "the clever and ambitious ones go to the Bar and into politics. The clever and cautious ones go into the Civil Service or into university teaching. The clever and queer ones go into museums, or else write poetry. At the other end, the stupidest, and often the most charming, members of the universities go into the Army and into business. If we depended in the Army and in business on university men we could never have attained the military or the business position which we have in the world to-day."

★ Local Notes and Events ★

For the 24 hours ended February 4, there were two cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis and one case of typhoid.

Mr. Lindell yesterday sentenced Pau Sing at the Central Police Court to a fine of \$3,000, or five months' hard labour, for having in his possession 25 tablets of opium.

We understand that the s.s. Kinzau Maru is very little damaged through her grounding near Amoy, and is expected in port in the course of the next day, or two.

The ordinary annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Tramways, Limited will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, February 27, at 12 noon.

Mr. Butters yesterday sentenced Ng Nang at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court to a term of three months' imprisonment.

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Among passengers leaving the Colony yesterday, by the s.s. Empress of Japan was Mrs. O. Osborne, Advertising Manager of the Hong Kong Daily Press, who is proceeding to England via America.

Mrs. R. T. Barrett is taking over Mrs. Osborne's work.

While walking down Dock Street on Thursday at 6.40 p.m. Mrs. C. Millard of 3, Waverley Terrace, Kowloon Docks, had her bag snatched by a Chinese who made good his escape.

Mrs. Millard has reported the matter to the Police, stating that the bag contained money and other articles to the value of \$20.

T. Matsui, master of the Karumo Maru, a fishing trawler, which arrived in the Colony on Monday, has reported to the Harbour Office that the Mikaze Maru, another fishing trawler, went aground in the Hainan Straits.

The Karumo Maru stood by for a few days, and after repeated efforts managed to get the stranded vessel off.

A Weihaiwei police officer yesterday arrested in Bedford Street, Moonlight, a Chinese, who was found to have in his possession three daggers tied round his legs and some gags.

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SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Local.

Mr. A. di Arculli distributed the prizes at the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians yesterday.

Five men appeared before the Kowloon Magistrate on larceny and other charges yesterday.

A Bill to amend the Estate Duties passed its 3rd reading at the Legislative Council yesterday.

Interesting evidence was given at the continued hearing of the Sze Yop Steamship action in the Supreme Court.

Twelve months' hard labour and 24 strokes of the birch was the sentence passed by Mr. H. R. Butters on each of two Chinese convicted of kidnapping.

An unknown European walked off the end of one of the Kowloon Godowns piers and is presumed to have been drowned.

Details of new services and schedules have been issued by the Dollar Lane.

In answer to calls from Canton, X.M.E. Sandwich left for Hoihow yesterday where it is feared, a Communist uprising has broken out.

To-day's Wireless programme.

Sport.

Cricket Notes; by R. Akhik.

Golf Notes; by Gum.

NEW ZEALAND'S GRIEF.

HORRORS GRAPHICALLY DESCRIBED.

NAPIER TOWN A REEKING MASS OF RUINS.

RED CROSS ESTIMATED DEATH-ROLL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Wellington, February 5.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Forbes, has requested that Sunday, February 8, be observed in all churches as a day of national mourning.

Further earthquake shocks this afternoon impeded the rescue work, which revealed numbers of crushed and mutilated bodies. Occasionally the rescuers were rewarded by the release of some unfortunate victim imprisoned since the first dread shock.

For instance, late this afternoon, two women were rescued alive and two others were located alive but still trapped in the ruins.

The relief workers have appealed to the railway authorities to provide extra rolling-stock to accelerate the evacuation of the city.

RESOLUTE BEHAVIOUR OF INHABITANTS.

Wellington, Feb. 4.

Mr. Weston, managing director of Weston Brothers, Limited, of Christchurch, described the horror of the collapse of the shop in Hastings, in which he had just completed business.

"A young girl assistant rushed into my arms and I endeavoured to pacify her, remarking that it would all be over in a second, but then a big crash came and a steel pillar fell across the girl's body, crushing her alongside the counter. She pleaded to be released, but the pillar held her like a vice. In a moment her life was gone."

"I realised that I had escaped death by inches, and managed to crawl from the debris."

"Everywhere were poor souls in panic, with terror-stricken appeals for help coming from every side. In what was once the boot department a man was seen desperately fighting for his life, but help was out of the question. In one corner fire broke out, but the appeal for buckets brought little response from the panic-stricken people. It was an appalling sight. The fire engines were pinned in their station and as the water main had burst little could be done, anyhow."

Town of Napier Wiped Off the Map.

A despatch from Napier describes it as a town wiped off the map, a reeking mass of ruins, and not a single building standing in the centre of the city. The streets were torn up indescribably and Bluff Hill, Hospital Hill, and other heights behind the town crashed on buildings and the sea-line receded perhaps 100 feet from the Marine Parade.

Buildings Crumble With Deafening Boar.

Residents say that the earth movement was almost vertical, the ground subsiding with a sickening jolt.

A despatch from Hastings reveals that at the time of the shock the town was full of shoppers, who were caught like rats in traps. Buildings crumbled with a deafening roar, crushing both the staff and customers.

The first thing a constable rushing from the police station saw was a young girl sitting near the road, with her legs severed below the knees.

Men, women and children were screaming beneath the ruins, and although people who escaped tore frantically at the debris nothing could be done, as the victims were soon swallowed up by flames.

Doctors worked under most trying conditions.

One doctor was seen early in the morning, his coat bloodsoaked, hacking his way into a chemist's shop to secure supplies.

NAPIER, Feb. 4.

Those killed include at least seven nurses and probably 40 students at the Technical School, when the building collapsed.

The Dean of Brocklehurst was conducting a Communion Service in St. John's Cathedral when the building crumbled and buried the worshippers.

The Dean was gravely injured.

British Marines Take Charge.

It is still impossible to estimate the death-roll, but the condition of several hundreds among over 1,000 receiving attention is reported to be critical or serious.

So far 57 bodies have been identified.

Armed Marines from the cruisers Dunedin and Diomedé are patrolling the town.

Naval parties are distributing foodstuffs.

Tremors Recurrence in Napier Region.

Earth tremors have recommenced in the Napier region, further damaging buildings, and increasing the prevailing alarm.

Red Cross officials now estimate the total death-roll at considerably over 1,000.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Wireless Telephone Message to London.

RUGBY, Feb. 5.

The New Zealand High Commissioner in London, Sir Thomas Wilford, this morning talked by wireless telephone to the Premier of New Zealand, Mr. G. W. Forbes, in Wellington, 12,000 miles distant.

The Premier stated that it is still impossible to give any definite figures of the killed and injured in the earthquake, but in view of the anxiety which Sir Thomas Wilford explained was felt by New Zealanders in England, the Premier said that an effort would be made to send the casualty list to-morrow.

Replying to a question whether any casualties occurred at Wangati, where the High Commissioner's mother resides in the South Island, the Premier said that all casualties were confined to Napier and the Hawkes Bay country.

Other messages from the scene of the disaster say that the authorities have appealed for all available transport to help in the evacuation of the area, which is proceeding in a rapid and orderly manner.

Aeroplane have taken chlorination plants to Napier to prevent infection through water.

Although several shocks have been experienced during to-day the rescue parties are continuing to work among the ruins. They are composed of police, volunteers and naval ratings, and the injured have now practically all been removed from the district or are lying on board vessels outside the harbour.

Many tributes are paid to the calm and resolute behaviour of the inhabitants overcome by the sudden disaster.

There was extraordinarily little panic and many acts of heroism.

RUGBY, Feb. 4.

The complete disorganisation of normal communications with the area of North Island, New Zealand, devastated by yesterday's disastrous earthquake renders it impossible to give a reliable estimate of the loss of life involved. It will probably be some days before the search for the missing among the debris of fallen buildings is completed, and, meanwhile, extravagant figures should be treated with reserve.

One of the immediate effects of the disaster was the breakdown of the sewerage system and the authorities, fearing an outbreak of disease, issued a general order to-night decreeing the evacuation of Napier within two days.

A telegram received this morning by the Secretary for the Dominions, Mr. J. H. Thomas, from the Governor General of New Zealand, Lord Bledisloe, expressing appreciation on behalf of the Government and people of New Zealand for the British Government's message of sympathy, states that complete information is not yet procurable, but already it is evident that the full severity of the shock was felt at Napier and Hastings where many large buildings collapsed.

"At Napier fires broke out apparently sweeping over a considerable area of the business centre. The death roll cannot yet be estimated, as it has not been possible so far to re-establish the telegraphic communication destroyed by convulsion, and we are at present relying mainly upon wireless communications from vessels in Napier at the time and H.M.S. Dunedin and H.M.S. Diomedé, which arrived there from Auckland to-day with medical relief and supplies. It is feared, however, that the loss of life is severe."

Napier is an ancient town and has been a busy port since the early days of the settlement.

Doctors and nurses have been despatched to the District and a large number of injured, of whom many are homeless, is now receiving medical attention.

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COUP D'ETAT AT CANTON.

DENIED BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, Feb. 4.

Government officials officially deny the reported coup d'etat in Canton on Monday.

Wong Shao Hung, the Kwangsi leader, who is visiting Nanking, states that he is daily in communication by wireless with his colleagues in Nanking, and nothing is mentioned about the reported coup d'etat. The report is probably due to a misunderstanding, because when he left for Nanking preparations were being made to disarm the Communist troops under Li Jang Suj.

PROVINCE AGAIN IN THROES OF CIVIL STRIFE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Feb. 5.

The peace movement in Kwangsi came to an abrupt end when Chang Fat Fui, leader of the "Ironside," and Pei Chung Hsi suddenly led their troops into the outskirts of Nanking and disarmed a portion of the troops under Colonel Wong Kook Chu, a trusted subordinate of General Wong Shao Hung.

Heavy troop movement is once more going on in the interior of Kwangsi as the opposing subdivisions of the Kwangsi "Ironside" coalition have arranged themselves for battle. The Province is once more in the throes of civil strife. All hopes of peace and order are reported to have been shattered.

The populace, who have been longing for peace for so long, are again becoming apprehensive, and a feeling of uneasiness is sweeping over the Province.

It appeared that Pei Chung Hsi and Chang Fat Fui, two predominant figures of the new reactionary group, had taken advantage of the absence of Wong Shao Hung, leader of the pro-Nanking faction, whether or not Wong Shao Hung had the approval of Pei Chung Hsi and Chang Fat Fui when he left Kwangsi for Nanking a month or so ago in connection with his movement for peace is not known with certainty. According to information from a reliable military source, it is highly improbable that he did, in view of the present disturbances of a serious nature in Kwangsi.

General Wong Shao Hung, prior to his departure for Nanking, was in a military sense by far the strongest man in Kwangsi. Nearly two-thirds of the regular troops in Kwangsi were under his command, and he had a group of able and loyal subordinates in Wong Kook Chu, Liang Chu Ki and a few others.

It is believed that Chang Fat Fui and Pei Chung Hsi, while staunchly opposing any agreement with Nanking, dared not oppose Wong Shao Hung while he was in Kwangsi, and they tacitly agreed to his peace proposal. Evidently they discarded their masks when Wong Shao Hung left for the North. The Cantonese troops under General Chen Tsai Tsang in Wuchow and other parts of Kwangsi are anxiously watching this collapse of the Kwangsi "Ironside" coalition. They are still maintaining their own positions, but it is highly probable that they will be forced to fight on the side of General Wong Shao Hung's faction.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

NANKING, Feb. 5.

In spite of successive reports pointing to the renewal of hostile action by the Kwangsi rebels against the Central Government, the Kwangsi delegation, Wu Ting Fang, now in Nanking, made an official statement yesterday emphatically denying any truth in the reported new development in Kwangsi.

He also said that General Wong Shao Hung visited Marshal Li Tsai Hsin the other day and consulted him in regard to the proposed peaceful settlement of the Kwangsi problem.

Marshal Li replied that he hoped for the early settlement of the Kwangsi situation so as to procure for the long suffering people of Kwangsi the enjoyment of a tolerable peace.

Food and other necessary supplies are being organised under the supervision of Ministers of the Crown, who reached the scene of the disaster to-day.

Frequent minor shocks are still being felt over greater part of the Kwangsi Province, and it is feared that much damage to buildings has been caused in outlying districts. The loss of life except at the centre of the disturbance has been small. The bed of the Harbour at Nanking has been raised in places by 18 feet.

DOG RACING AT SHANGHAI.

WILL NOT BE PERMITTED AFTER MARCH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 5.

After a considerable interchange of correspondence on dog racing the Municipal Council to-day sent a letter to both greyhound concerns in the International Settlement.

The Council adheres to its decision that dog racing in the Settlement will not be permitted after March 31, 1931.

SHANGHAI-CANTON-MANILA FLIGHT.

NO NEWS OF PROGRESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FOOCHOW, Feb. 5.

Mr. Brophy hopped off to Canton en route to Manila to-day at 9.15.

CHINESE RAILWAY BONDS.

QUESTIONS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 4.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. A. M. Samuel asked if Mr. Arthur Henderson would ascertain from the Chinese Government whether it had placed bonds of the Tientsin-Pukow and Hukwang Railways as a charge on the Maritime Customs, in accordance with its contracts to British subscribers to those railway loans, in view of the fact that there had been a revision of Chinese tariffs and the abolition of *likin*.

Mr. Henderson replied that the proposals tabled by the Chinese representatives at the Nanking Conference which opened in November seemed to point to the direction that Mr. Samuel desired.

The loans, however, could not be treated independently of the Chinese Government's other obligations of the conference at which they were being considered.

Replying to a supplementary question, Mr. Henderson said that he could not try to have an agreement reached before the third reading of the China Indemnity Bill. If the matter were raised in debate he was prepared to reply.

HONG KONG EXPORTS OF OPIUM.

DAME LYALL DISPUTES GOVERNMENT'S FIGURES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, Feb. 4.

The Opium Committee has passed a resolution to the effect that diluted drugs shall be considered as falling within the provisions of the Geneva Opium Convention, whatever the degree of concentration.

They also passed a resolution that the League Council should urge the Governments to refuse import or export certificates to notorious traffickers.

Dame Lyall (Chairman) disputed the figures of the weight of opium imported in 1929 from Hong Kong to India, but Sir Malcolm Delevingne retorted that the Hong Kong Government was not in the habit of giving wrong figures.

Dame Lyall drew attention to the excessive consumption of drugs in Kwantung.

Baron Sato (Japan) recognised that the situation was unsatisfactory, and promised to seek improvement.

(Sir Malcolm Delevingne, K.C.B., is Deputy Permanent Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office, and British Representative on the Advisory Committee of the League of Nations in regard to the traffic in opium and dangerous drugs.)

OBITUARY.

VICE-ADMIRAL GAUCHET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Feb. 4.

The death took place to-day of Vice-Admiral Gauchet, aged 74, who commanded the Allied forces in the Mediterranean in 1910.

Deceased had an illustrious career in the Far East in the early nineties as Commander of the gunboat *Udon*. In 1894 he rescued 50 Chinese survivors of the British steamer *Kowahing*, sunk by a Japanese warship during the Sino-Japanese War.

BASIC WAGE IN AUSTRALIA.

SUSPENSION APPLICATION DISMISSED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MELBOURNE, Feb. 5.

The Arbitration Court dismissed the application by the Commonwealth Government for the suspension of the basic wage reduction, expressing the opinion that any project dealing with the present conditions must comprise such reduction.

PRIME MINISTER TAKES A REST.

REMAINING AT CHEQUERS FOR A LONG WEEK-END.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 5.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, is to take a few days' complete rest from his duties. His health is excellent, but pressure of work in connection with the Indian Conference and Parliament, coupled with his inability to take a holiday at Christmas, has made a few days' relaxation desirable. He intended to fly to Loughborough, his Scottish home, but the cold weather in that area caused the abandonment of that plan, and he will probably stay at Chequers for a long week-end.

LAW AND ORDER IN INDIA.

GOVERNMENT REPLIES TO CONGRESS DEMAND.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 5.

In response to the Indian Congress Party's demand for the immediate ending of Ordinances whereby the subversion of law and order is prevented, the Government of India conveyed an answer which stated that the Ordinances and other "repressive" measures would be discontinued as soon as the necessity for them disappeared.

The Government, as well as the public, knew, it added, that police lathi charges caused misgiving, but they would not take place unless they were deliberately provoked.

BRITISH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

INCREASE OF OVER HALF A MILLION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 5.

The new register of electors for Great Britain and Northern Ireland shows an increase of 684,710 compared with the register on which the general election of 1929 was fought.

The total exceeds 29,500,000 Parliamentary electors, and there are 1,700,000 more women than men entitled to vote.

HOUSE OF COMMONS ALL NIGHT SITTING.

AGRICULTURAL LAND UTILISATION BILL.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 5.

The House of Commons spent an all night sitting on the Agricultural Land Utilisation Bill.

The House rose shortly after eight this morning.

ROYAL TOURISTS LEAVE JAMAICA.

NEXT PORT OF CALL CRISTOBAL.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

KINGSTON (Jamaica), Feb. 4.

The Prince of Wales and Prince George sailed from this port for Cristobal (Panama) on board the liner *Oropesa*.

PRINCESS BEATRICE.

CONDITION CONTINUES SATISFACTORY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 4.

The following bulletin was issued at Kensington Palace this evening: "Apart from weakness, which is to be expected at this stage of the illness, the condition of Princess Beatrice continues satisfactory."

FLYING-BOAT 209 DISASTER.

WITNESSED BY THOUSANDS ON PLYMOUTH HOE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 4.

Nine lives were lost in an air disaster which occurred to-day when a large Iris flying-boat of No. 200 Flying Boat Squadron, Mount Batten, sank in Batten Bay, Plymouth Sound.

Those killed include the pilot of the machine, Wing-Commander Tucker, Flying Officer Wood, and seven men, while two other officers were injured, one of them seriously. One non-commissioned officer alone escaped uninjured.

Thousands of people on Plymouth Hoe and along the waterfront witnessed the accident, which occurred when the machine was about to alight.

Reports state that the course was altered to avoid a small boat and the machine, tilting its wing touched the water.

Motor boats rushed to the scene and rescued the survivors before the machine sank with the other occupants trapped in the fuselage.

The flying-boat, which was of all-metal construction, was one of the largest and fastest of its type and was equipped with three engines. It had a speed at sea level of 121 miles an hour, a cruising speed of 100 miles, and a landing speed of 50 miles.

Not Due to Failure in the Craft.

RUGBY, Feb. 5.

It is believed that yesterday's disaster to the flying-boat at Plymouth was not caused by any failure in the craft.

Flying-boats of the type involved have given a splendid record of service and have flown many thousands of miles without accident, including last year's fine flights to India, Lisbon and Iceland.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Of the 12 men aboard nine were killed, including Flying Officers Tucker and Wood.

Mistaken Water Level.

Divers in Plymouth Sound are searching for the bodies of the crew of the flying boat, which was a type of aircraft comprising sleeping quarters, cookery facilities, collapsible dinghy. She is now lying with her floats in the air and her cabin submerged.

The disaster is believed to be due to the pilot mistaking the level of the water owing to the reflection of the bright sunshine. She struck the sea too soon and the craft sank with Wing-Commander Tucker and seven men trapped in the cabin.

Four others were rescued, including Flying Officer Wood, who died in hospital.

Flying-Boat Located.

Divers have located the crashed flying-boat, which was broken in half.

The bodies of W.C. Tucker and Air Craftsman Rutledge have been recovered.

(Continued on next column.)

U.S. AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN.

VISITING HONG KONG AND MANILA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 5.

Mr. S. Cameron Forbes, U.S. Ambassador to Japan, is proceeding to Hong Kong to-morrow on board the Empress of Canada en route to Manila on a visit to Governor-General Davis.

It is noteworthy that Mr. Forbes' grandfather, Mr. John Forbes, who went to Canton in 1834, founded the firm of Russell & Company, out of which came the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company.

JAPANESE WOMEN'S EMANCIPATION.

BILL TO GRANT EQUAL FRANCHISE RIGHTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Feb. 4.

The rapid advance made by the women's emancipation movement in Japan in recent years is shown by the Government's introduction of a Bill proposing to grant women equal franchise rights with men in elections for city, town and village autonomous assemblies preliminary to granting national suffrage.

A similar Bill introduced by private members last session passed the Lower House, but was shelved by the Peers.

It is generally believed that the Government Bill presented this morning will share the same fate, but the growing interest in the question appears to indicate that women will be given at least a limited share in the governance of the country before long.

The question affects over 13,000,000 women.

The forward portion of the flying-boat was towed ashore.

The after portion, in which it is believed the other bodies are, lies in deep water.

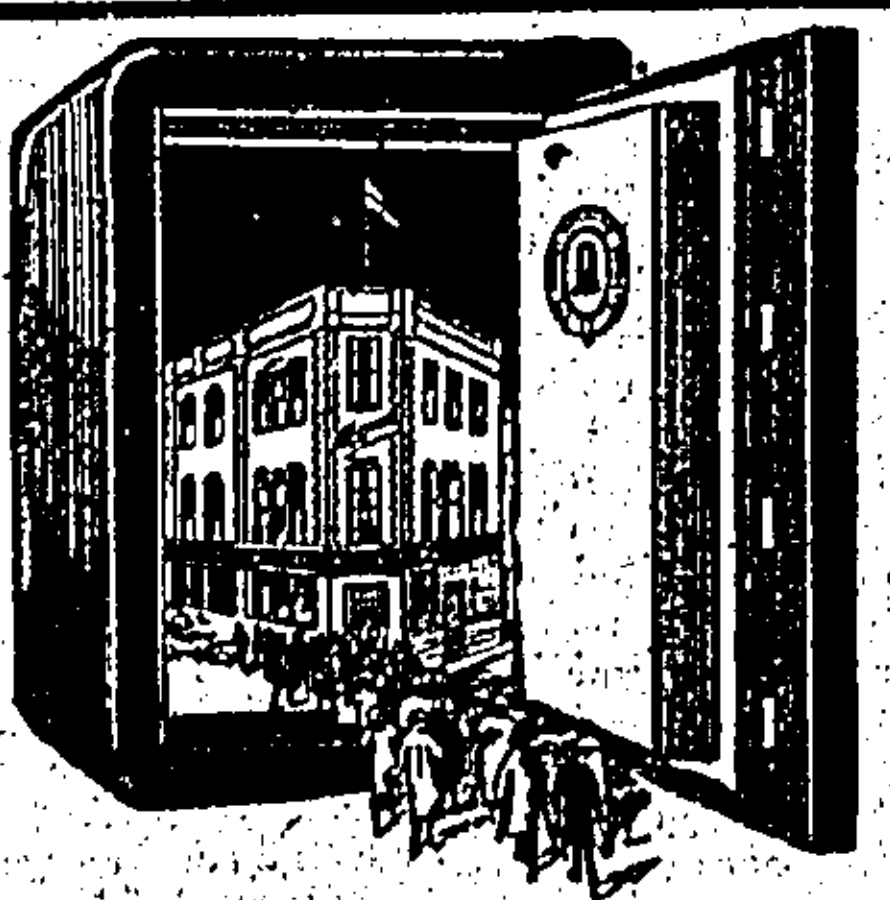
It is believed that W.C. Tucker was unable to flatten out the machine as he was about to land, and hit the sea at about 70 miles an hour. Her bows went under and the flying-boat's back was buckled.

Rescued Officers' Condition.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Flying Officer Ryley, who is rapidly recovering in hospital from the disaster to the flying-boat at Plymouth yesterday, had been recommended as a possible Schneider trophy competitor.

The other injured officer, Flight-Lieutenant Maurice Ely, is in a critical condition.



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Sports News

CRICKET TEAMS AND PLAYERS.

A NAVAL OCCASION.

R. ABBIT'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

In the sagacious words of the old proverb it is a long worm that has no turning, and the long spell of disaster which has laid upon Naval cricket was lifted in a most brilliant fashion on Saturday last, when the Naval team met the Kowloon Cricket Club on the ground of the latter and beat them fair and square. There was no luck or anything else about it. And it is particularly appropriate that the brilliant success should have come in Commander Baker's last League game. I have previously referred on several occasions to his services to Naval cricket, and it is a fitting reward that his team beat the strong Kowloon side so decisively. He sailed for Home yesterday and his loss will be much felt both as a cricketer and as a captain—for he had that invaluable knack of keeping his team well in hand, without hurting anyone's feelings. We all wish him plenty of runs and wickets next season at Home.

The Game.

Kowloon had first innings on quite a good wicket and they started fairly. It is true Jowitt bowled Teddy Fincher with the first ball of the second over of the game, but thereafter Lawrence and Hung seemed to be settling down nicely. Thirty went up and Lawrence hit Baker for a tremendous six, but then fell to a catch by Glas in the same over. (37-2-13.) Hung was batting beautifully and had put on twenty runs more when he was most unluckily run out. Zimmerman at the other end hit the ball hard back and the bowler touched it, and deflected it on to the wicket while Hung was out of his ground backing up. Bennett had gone on meanwhile with Ponsonby and was bowling excellently. The run out seemed to upset Kowloon completely, as three runs later Zimmerman was bowled by Bennett, who got Lyl and Goodwin as well before the score was increased. One run later Ponsonby made a fine catch low down off his own bowling to dismiss Ernie Fincher, and the board read 81-7-1. The innings closed for eighty, and though the Navy men had bowled quite well, a side of Kowloon's batting strength should have made for more. I rather think they have come to rely very largely on Bruce (who was away last Saturday) and Teddy Fincher as a more or less impregnable pair. Incidentally the last time R.C. had a poor league season he was most successful in the next inter-port. *Admit Owen.*

Navy's Bright Bating.

When Glas got himself out with the score at three (it was a nice slip catch by Lawrence), I began to have visions of a thrilling game, but to my great astonishment the Kowloon bowling was utterly without sting. Goodwin was all over the place, while Lyl, who bowled less badly than anyone, failed to get a wicket after his initial success. To my great surprise he put on Freddy Zimmerman with slow medium off spinners. Though in the end he turned out a decent analysis, it was no stuff to put on at that time. Squire and Moseley took fourteen off the first two overs and when the tea interval arrived were not out thirty and nine, respectively. After tea Zimmerman continued with B. F. Fincher who had started bowling slow breaks. They break all right but are useless unless bowled with an immaculate length. As it was, Squire and Moseley had a very nice party and hit well on the off. Hung and Goodwin failed to break up the combination and it was not until Burnett, who might have gone on earlier, took the ball that Moseley put on to Lawrence at first slip. The partnership had realised ninety-eight runs and was marred by only one chance, a hard cover drive high up being touched but put down. For the rest, the Navy hit out and took the score to two hundred and thirty-one. Before time was called. Ponsonby scratched round a bit at the start of his fifty-five but hit well later. Baker played some beautiful cover-shots while his name-spoke, the A.B., put in some nice off drives. Mackay stumped two men running off. Zimmerman but I thought he was a shade in front of the wicket when he took the ball to stump Bennett. The off over it was very wide on the off and this may have caused an optical illusion! (More on the subject of the rules.) The only two men who can look back on this match with any satisfaction are Hung and Zimmerman. The latter had five for thirty-two, but he was very well backed up by his field. Bennett's analysis for the Navy was seven overs 8-2; M. M. 2-2; S. M. 2-2; one in each of the fifth and sixth.

Craigengower Crash.

The University maintain their improvement as a side, which coincides very largely with the return of their captain, D. J. N. Anderson, to form both with the bat and ball. I have a shrewd suspicion that the shadow of Examinations rather spoils his cricket in the earlier portion of the season, and also that he is even more the hinge on which the team works than Bruce is in the Kowloon Cricket Club. His sixty-nine not out after taking six for thirty-three was a fine bit of work. On this occasion S. V. Gittins and E. Zimmerman did not come off. They seem out of form and I suspect could do with a bit more net-practice, as they were batting excellently at the beginning of the season. Craigengower has batting in support, but they rely on their first three men for any really big score, very much as Civil Service do.

Married v. Single.

It was difficult to recognise in the Married side the team which had been published the day before. Owen-Hughes is still on the injured list, and Bowker was not playing. Pearce played a beautiful knock for the Married. He is straight-driving a little more than usual now, and he hit a beautiful on drive into the road at the Yard end. It is, I fancy, the first straight six he has hit for a good many years. Duckitt played a steady innings and these two alone saved the Married from a very ignominious score. Rigg looks as if he might make quite a good bowler if he could gain more command of length and direction. Mitchell still appears very lame. The Married bowling was also weak and most people got a few.

The Gunners Loss.

As I expected the I.R.C. proved too much for the Gunners at Sookun-poo. Minu was not in his usual form but Pereira did good work. Wolfe-Barry, Musson, Macfarlan, and Mr. Extras scored most for the Soldiers, while A. H. Madar and O. Ismail were the outstanding Indian batsmen. They won fairly comfortably.

Forthcoming Games.

The Navy might very well beat Craigengower down at the Valley tomorrow if they have a full side out. Comdr. Baker has gone, but Lalett should be available, and presumably Barrett. A great deal depends on the first three Craigengower bats as I have said elsewhere. But once more I expect a finish, though I imagine this light will be unplayable by 5.45 p.m. instead of the 6.15 p.m. which the rules prescribe in February, unless the weather changes.

The University appeared to have their strongest side out against the Gunners at Pokfulam in their League match. And they will need it! It is rather a struggle between Anderson and Musson with plenty of keen cricket on either side to back them up. The result is yet to open.

Friendlies.

K.C.C. again without Bruce, but otherwise at full strength will visit the Club, and until one knows the composition of the Club side, one can hardly guess what will happen. Igal usually is a bit off on that ground, but it's about time the Fincher brothers got some runs. A draw is probable.

League Rules.

There are so many fallacies going round re the League Rules that in the next week or two I shall work through them in these notes. With all deference to my Tuesday brother there is no rule which may play in the second team, and never has been. In the case in point, Holdman fielded as a sub. for Robertson who never turned up. He was not in flannels and had no intention of batting. Kelly is probably not in the full Civil Service side. On two occasions he has only played for the first owing to other men dropping out.

Some Points of the Law.

There are three different names for three sorts of creases, and curiously enough the common phrase "batting crease" does not legally exist. The technical term is "popping crease," derived, I believe from the fact that in the old days a hole was there situated wherein the ball had to be placed—or "popped"—before the batsman on finishing a run could "pop" his bat there. If the ball was in first he was run out, but one hardly envies the man whose fingers were at stake! This popping crease is, of course, four feet from the bowling crease and theoretically extends right across the ground at right angles to the pitch. The bowling crease should extend four feet clear of the leg and the off stump—i.e., eight foot eight inches in all; and you get some amazing results if you walk round with a tape measure in your pocket. Try it in your next League match. At each extremity is a crease at right angles drawn backwards. This is the "return" crease and is usually very badly marked. It is most important as a bowler's rear foot must be inside (not "on") this as well as behind the bowling crease. I know at least one League bowler here now, who often transgresses this law, and gets away with it. By the way, it is quite frequently said, even by people who—very kindly—imagine that if the ball goes outside the return crease at the other end, it is a wide. That is, of course, nonsense. The batsman's reach, individually is the sole criterion; and a wide is—say—Duckitt need not be a wide to Owen-Hughes or Hancock.

"Fit for Play."

The short hours of our League matches and the natural cussedness of the weather makes it desirable to know the exact law upon which the question of the possibility of play, or otherwise, is decided. The matter falls into two broad heads of fitness of ground and fitness of light, but it may be premised in any case that if the two Captains agree, the umpires are relieved of all responsibility. I recollect I was umpiring at Shanghai in 1921 and after two or three blank days there came a time when it might have been necessary to decide if the ground was fit for play. The ground was, but the wicket was not, but as Shanghai had scored over three hundred and we had lost a wicket or two cheaply it was awkward. However, much to my relief Sayer and Barrett agreed that a new wicket should be rolled out, and I had nothing to do.

Unit Ground.

The question of the ground being unfit clearly is decided on consideration of the needs of the fielding side. It is natural. Apart from a slight difficulty of stance, which he can overcome with sawdust, the batsman has no troubles while the bowler can neither hold the slipping ball nor keep his feet while delivering it at a run. Nor can the fieldsmen hold the ball or move to it easily. So it is not surprising to read the rule "The ground is unfit to play when water stands on the surface, or when it is so wet, muddy, or slipping as to deprive the bowlers of a reasonable foothold, or the fieldsmen of the power of free movement." This reminds me of a situation which arose in the Hong Kong v. Malaya match of November, 1929. At the end of the second day Malaya were nine, ten runs on with three wickets to fall. I quote my opening sentences from the report of the next day's play:

It is difficult to believe that the wicket was fit for play. It was dead easy, neither bowler could stand. The could neither hold the ball nor keep their feet and a schoolboy could have got runs with a tooth-pick. As a matter of fact, if my memory serves me, no appeal was made to the umpires. But, although every one enjoyed the fine fighting finish, it would not have been right that the decision should have been changed through an over-sporting spirit would concede an unfair advantage. The essence of the Rules is absolute fairness to both sides.

The Light.

The same theory governs the question of light. Here we have a different problem to that which appertains at home. There it is the batsman who is concerned—and the row at Leeds last season proves that appeals are not too backward. Here it is difficult. We play cheerfully in impossible light, and given the fact that there are effective screens, the people most at a loss are the fielding side—Witness the Club and C.S.C.C. match of the previous week. It is just as much opposed to the spirit of the game for the batting side to profit largely by the tenobrosity which hampers the field as it is for the field side to bowl out a batting side who, owing to the impenetrable gloom, are unable to see the deliveries of the bowlers. The answer is, of course, that the two captains should deliberate with tentative suggestions as to stopping. This could be developed further but for my father ferocious Editor. More next week.

R. ABBIT.

GOLF NOTES.

[By GUM.]

One wonders how the outdoor loving residents of the Colony spent their week-ends before Fanling came into existence, and what would have been the occupations of the three hundred players who, temporarily unconscious of bad business and depreciated dollar, were to be seen enjoying themselves on the Links last Sunday afternoon—perhaps a temporary unconsciousness and depreciated dollar, were on an overloaded interior. The morning list of "Starting Times" ran without a break from 9.15 a.m. to 1 p.m. and more than the usual number of couples, who had drawn the later times, were to be seen hovering around the first tee in the hopes that a more favoured pair had overslept. That no such vacancy occurred saved the Sabbath morning from perhaps witnessing an unseemly brawl—history tells of some elderly gentleman who lost his life in a crowded rush for something.

Dodwell & Co. are to be congratulated on their win (7 points to 3 points) over the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank in the final of the "G. M. Young" Cup and their task proved a little easier than they probably expected. The Bank were only able to annex one of the Singles in the morning—Sam Fox being successful against Holmes. Sitting down to tiffin with a deficit of 4 points is apt to spoil the full enjoyment of the meal especially when accompanied by a reminder that all the "four-halls" must be won in the afternoon if defeat is to be averted. Mills of the Bank is shortly going south having been transferred to Saigon and he is feverishly recalling the few words of French culled from "Chardinal" in his not very far-back schooldays—Henry will become "Henri" but will "Henri" become Henry?

The Junior Championship has now reached the "semi-finals." Robb, though admitting a poor round, defeated Ben Evans 3 and 2 and has next to meet the Colonel (Matthews not Bogey) who succeeded in winning from Hampden at the 20th. The lower half will be decided between Maturin and Eager.

In the 1930 Captain's Cup, as anticipated, George Costello overcame Tom Monahan 7 and 5 in a thrilling "Tom-and" has to meet Macfarlan in the "semi-final." R. A. Campbell has been able to postpone his transfer to Foochow until the middle of this month so Robb, having sportingly given back the "walk-over" previously conceded, has a good match ahead of him before the Cup is in stretching distance—the game between these two will be close (this remark is not prompted by the fact that both hail from north of the Tweed).

Youth was served in the Governor's Shield but only on the last green and the steadiness of the scholastic gentlemen nearly deprived the Gunners of the right to come up against the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank in the "final." Mac and Musson should carry away the Shield to adorn their mess, especially if Henry is being subjected to the usual round of farewells that precedes the transfer to another port.

The ladies of Fanling are also in the midst of their competitions. Mrs. Cassidy is to be congratulated in her 5 and 3 win over Mrs. Rogers in the "final" of the Taggart Cup. In the 1930 Captain's Cup, the successful players in the first round were Mesdames Ferguson, Dovey, Keary and Bonnar. Mrs. Cassidy, having drawn a bye, has already placed her name in the second round through defeating Mrs. Dodwell whilst Mrs. Langston and Mrs. Parker, also with byes, have yet to meet.

The Championship and Ross Cup are both under way but are still in the earlier stages. The former is a very open event this year but, even were it not, it would be ungratifying to name a prospective winner.

Last Saturday afternoon on the Kowloon Links the Benedicks fought with the bachelors for a cup presented by Dr. J. E. H. Cogan. The "carefree" were successful to the extent of 4 points. This competition opens up a wide field of argument for and against marriage as far as Golf is concerned and it might make a suitable item for debate in the Y.M.C.A.—not a lady's night if a frank expression of views is to be expected.

The first round of the Kowloon 1930 Captain's Cup has been completed with the exception that a replay has to take place between J. Macintosh and E. D. de Moya—it is the fortune of the draw that these two low handicap players

(Continued on next Column.)

LAWN TENNIS.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

INDIAN PROGRESS.

Attention at the moment is generally focused on the Indian contingent competing in the forthcoming tournament, as they have exceptionally strong representatives for both the Open Singles and Open Doubles championships of the Colony. Their progress in both events will undoubtedly be closely watched and followed, for they are expected to feature prominently during the season. In H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn, and C. A. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassamubhoj, they possess two pairs who are ranked among the leading combinations at the present time, while in the Open Singles the above four named are also players of no mean order.

The Indians first came into the limelight locally only in the early part of the past decade, but their progress has been very rapid since. They did nothing of note in 1921 but in the following year they made definite improvement, three of them surviving among the last eight, two among the last four, and one in the final round (that year the Challenge Round prevailed). In 1923, they gained their first distinction when one of their representatives qualified for the Challenge Round, and ever since then their advance in the game has been pronounced.

Rumjahn's Advancement.

Their record begins with two families, viz., Ismails and Rumjahns, but although the former made a good impression early in the decade they failed to keep pace with the Rumjahns and eventually dropped out of the picture. The latter, however, have persevered and become successful. Many followers of the game will probably remember O. Rumjahn who left Hong Kong for Tientsin after the Tour of 1924. It was he (then 20 years of age) who in 1923 reached the Challenge Round, and thus set an example for his nationals to emulate. H. D. Rumjahn also came into prominence the same year when he and his cousin (O. Rumjahn) above mentioned entered the final of the Open Doubles, having to scratch their match on account of H.D.'s foot trouble. Then among the old records is A. A. Rumjahn (then only 19) who reached the final of the Open Singles in 1922.

Upon the shoulders of H. D. and S. A. then rested the responsibility of competing against players of other nations for the greater part of the decade. They have, however, maintained and improved their community's reputation with signal success, so much so that ever since they first paired together, they have held the Open Doubles Title. This pair's career is fresh in the minds of followers of the game, and as they are still, comparatively speaking, young, a good deal will yet be heard of them.

should meet in the initial round and the successful one will probably emerge to decorate his sideboard with the Cup for the next twelve months.

The Country Club at Sheungshui is an excellent instance of the remarkable growing popularity of Golf throughout the world and in years to come this Club will be pointed out as the cradle of our Chinese friends' interest in the game in South China. The membership at present is around one hundred of which some thirty are Chinese and the latter's enthusiasm is reflected in the fact that three of them were elected in December on the 1931 Committee whilst the Hon. Secretary is Mr. Leitch. An energetic managing body have an extensive programme in view and as time progresses, great improvements will undoubtedly be seen in the Course. The first developments to be given serious attention is the lengthening of the existing nine holes (Bogey-36) and the relaying of all fairways, also the acquiring of further land to permit of adding a second nine. At present the Greens are "Browns" but experiments are being conducted for the substitution of grass as soon as a satisfactory supply of water can be assured. As with all other clubs, competitions are being held—the Junior Championships has reached its last stage with Lytton and Salkin in the "final."

It does not seem so very long ago that football and tennis first attracted the interest of Chinese athletes but to-day they are in the first flight of both, and it is therefore possible to visualise their grasping equally quickly a sound and successful knowledge of Golf. The game breeds a brotherhood far greater than any "get-together" rotarian movement could ever accomplish and Kipling's so far undisputed "East is East, etc.", bids fair to be exploded.

In the Open Singles S. A. has been their most successful representative. During the last five years of the decade, he qualified for the final, no less than four times, and achieved a tennis player's greatest ambition locally by winning the championship in 1927. He has been somewhat of a disappointment since then on account of his inconsistent form, and although he has at times shown himself very well, he has failed to win when he was most expected to, but as he is still serious about the championships, more will be heard and seen of him.

Impressive Record.

For the decade, the Indian's record is very impressive:—

OPEN SINGLES.
1922. A. A. Rumjahn reached Final.
1923. O. Rumjahn qualified for the Challenge Round.
1923. S. A. Rumjahn reached Final.
1927. S. A. Rumjahn won title.
1928. S. A. Rumjahn reached Final.
1929. S. A. Rumjahn reached Final.
OPEN DOUBLES.
1923. O. Rumjahn and H. D. reached Final.
1924. O. Rumjahn and H. D. won title.
1925. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn won title.
1926. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn won title.
1927. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn won title.
1928. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn won title.
1929. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn won title.
1930. H. D. Rumjahn and S. R. Rumjahn won title.

Season's Prospects.

For the impending tournament their prospects are very good indeed. In the Open Singles C. A. L. Rumjahn is favourite for the semi-final in the first quarter, while his brother S. A. is also well placed for the same position. The only ones likely to stop the latter are P. Kung and Ng Sze Kwong. In the third quarter, if either Cassamubhoj or H. D. Rumjahn could overcome Honda, an Indian semi-finalist is assured, but in the last quarter their prospects for a semi-final position are not so good, as I. V. A. Ratnak is meeting M. W. Lo in the first round.

In the other event, a great deal is expected to be seen of them. Their leading pairs are in opposite halves, and so they can concentrate on opposing national pairs. In all three Indian pairs are coin-

ing. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn in the second quarter, bid fair to reach the semi-final, as they ought to beat the Fincher brothers, who are next strongest. C. A. L. Rumjahn and Cassamubhoj, placed in the fourth quarter, are likely to contest P. Kung and W. T. Lee for the right to enter the semi-final, while A. H. Rumjahn and A. H. Madar are in the third quarter, where there are a good many strong Chinese pairs and one strong British pair.

DAVIS CUP DRAW.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Feb. 4.
The following is the draw for the Davis Cup:—

European Zone.

Upper Half:
Belgium (bye).
Great Britain v. Monaco.
Germany v. South Africa.
Switzerland v. Ireland.
Japan (bye into second round).
Yugo-Slavia (bye into second round).
Egypt (bye into second round).
Finland (bye into second round).
Lower Half:
Poland (bye into second round).
Roumania (bye into second round).
Norway.
Denmark.
Holland.
Complete draw for first round in the lower half:
Hungary v. Italy.
Greece v. Austria.
Czecho-Slovakia v. Spain.

North American Zone.

United States v. Mexico.
Canada (bye into second round).

South American Zone.

Paraguay v. Argentina.
Uruguay (bye into second round).
Chile v. Brazil.

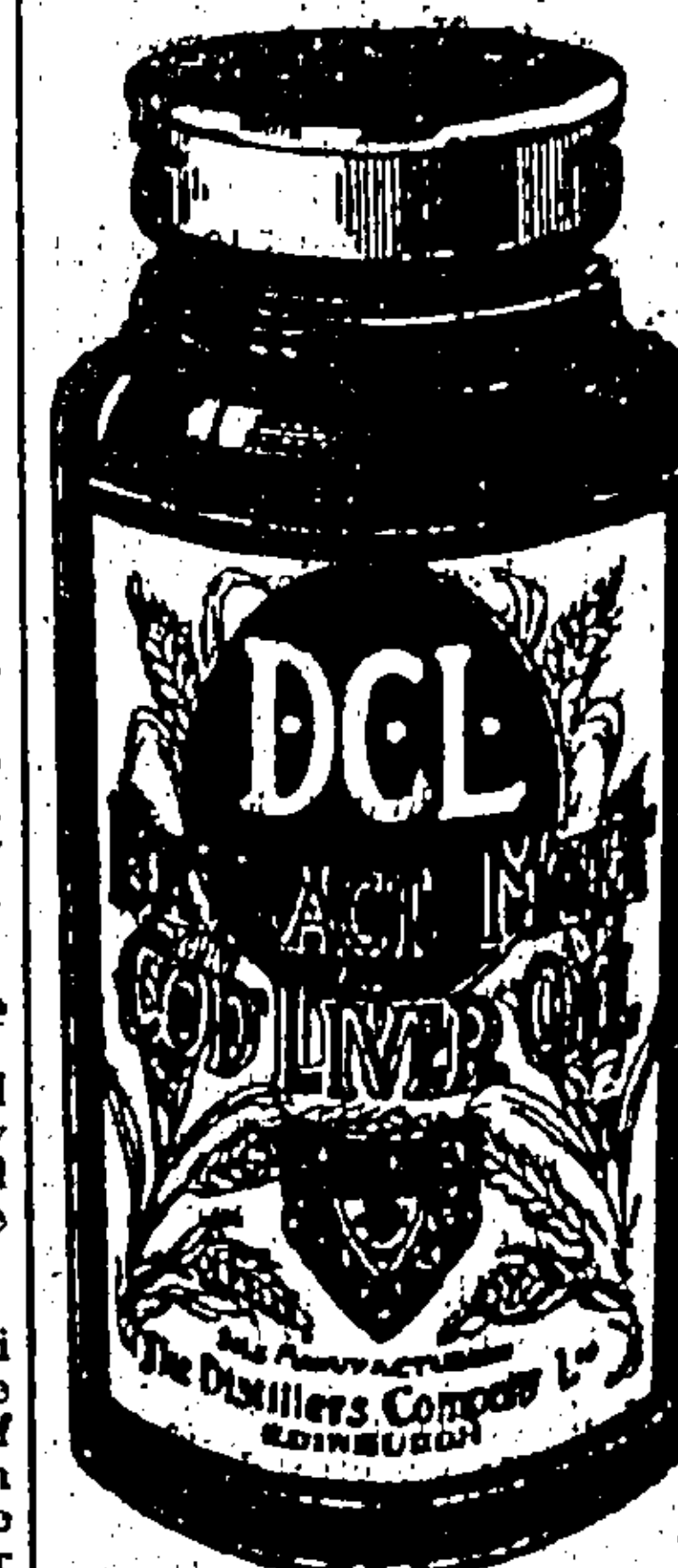
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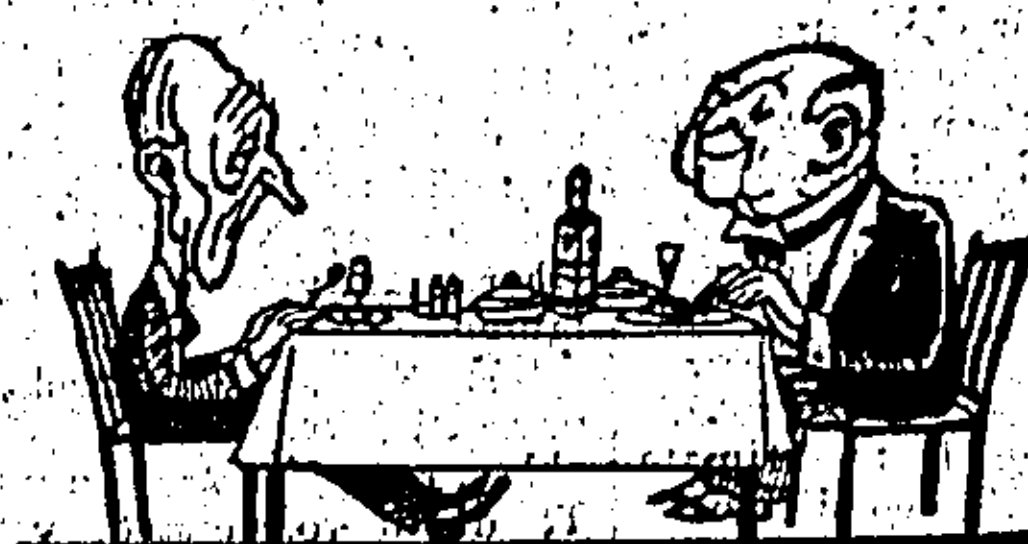
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SATURDAY'S BOXING

CRICHTON-EWIN EVENT.

FULL DETAILS OF BOUTS.

The following is the full programme of boxing events to be given on Saturday night at the City Hall:

(1) 6 Round Lightweight Contest.—A.B. Scott (H.M.S. Kent) v. Pte. Roberts (S.W. Borderers).

(2) 8 Round Middleweight Contest.—A.B. Campbell (H.M.S. Kent) v. A.B. Barber (H.M.S. Medway).

(3) 10 Round Contest at 130 lbs.—A.B. Kelley (H.M.S. Medway) v. Stoker Harley (H.M.S. Kent).

(4) 10 Round Contest at 147 lbs.—L.S. Davies (H.M.S. Hermes) v. L.S. Hall (H.M.S. Cumberland).

(5) 15 Round Contest for Middleweight Championship of Colony and Belt.—Jock Crichton, Shanghai (Welter and Middleweight Champion of the Colony) v. A.B. Ewin, H.M.S. Kent (Middleweight Champion Imperial Services 1925 and 1928).

CRICKET.

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. on Saturday, February 7 commencing at 2 p.m.

1st XI. (Home).—T. E. Pearce, A. G. Bowker, O. E. C. Marton, K. H. Batger, E. R. Duckitt, A. C. Beck, A. Reid, W. H. B. Rigg, R. H. Wild, H. F. Green, J. D. Humphreys.

2nd XI. (Away).—W. W. MacKenzie, R. K. Hepburn, P. W. J. Plannar, E. C. Etherington, R. S. W. Patterson, R. M. Airey, H. I. Armstrong, J. Chadwick, R. R. Davies, S. I. Stanesby, J. D. A. Hutchison.

KOWLOON GOLF.

DRAW FOR "FEAR" CUP.

The following is the draw for the "Fear" Cup to be played over the Kowloon course on Sunday, 8th inst. Play will be over 36 holes, medal play on handicap.

9.00 Dr. Cogan & J. Ringshaw.
9.05 A. C. Sinton & E. O. Murphy.
9.10 D. C. Wilson & W. Orchard.
9.15 G. H. Russell & W. Taylor.
9.20 J. D. Thomson & J. Mackintosh.

9.25 A. Silkstone & T. J. Price.
9.30 H. T. Buxton & A. T. Bracey.
9.35 E. C. Fincher & L. Jack.
9.40 W. J. Woolley & J. Gellaway.
9.45 A. S. Owen & W. Stoker.
9.50 J. S. Smith & E. D. de Rosa.
9.55 P. W. Plannar & A. A. Lopez.

10.00 W. Mills & J. G. Meyer.
10.05 A. Eastman & W. M. Groves.
10.10 J. E. L. Johnson & W. C. Simpson.
10.15 J. King & L. Elford.
10.20 H. Handy & A. W. da Rosa.

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RECENT SOCCER
SUSPENSIONS.TWO CHINESE PLAYERS
REINSTATED.BITTER CONTROVERSY
ENDED.

The Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Association has courteously informed us that the Emergency Committee, who met during the week to consider the letter from the English Football Association in regard to the suspension of the two Chinese players, has given their decision under which the two players are reinstated as amateurs as from February 3.

Much satisfaction will be felt in local football circles and especially among the Chinese community that an incident which has led to a bitter controversy has at last been settled. It will be recalled that the two players were found guilty by the Emergency Committee of accepting certain sums of money and were suspended for infringement of their amateur status. This decision was upheld by the H.K.F.A. Council and also the Appeals Board, who however, agreed with a recommendation seeking permission from the Home Association to alter the rules so as to permit reinstatement of the players.

Text of the Decision.

The following were the proceedings at the Emergency Committee meeting and their decision:—

"The Hon. Secretary read the letter from Sir Frederick Wall, Secretary of the Football Association, dated December 30, 1930. The matter was then discussed at length and it was resolved that:—

"The Emergency Committee, being satisfied that the acceptance by Messrs. Chan Kwong Lu and Teo Kwai Sing of certain sums of money from the organizers of the Chinese Amateur Soccer Touring team was an acceptance by them under a complete misapprehension of the true position, and having regard to the terms of the last two paragraphs of the English Football Association letter to the Hong Kong Football Association of December 30, 1930, hereby resolve that the suspension of Messrs. Chan Kwong Lu and Teo Kwai Sing be withdrawn as from February 3, 1931."

Suspensions and Fines.

At an earlier meeting of the Emergency Committee, Morrison, of the South Wales Borderers, was suspended for two months as from January 8, 1931, for ungentlemanly conduct in the second division match with St. Joseph's on January 3.

The following are recent decisions of the League Management Committee:—

St. Joseph's v. Kowloon, 2nd Division match, January 10, 1931:—

For failing to field a team for the above match, Kowloon Football Club was fined five dollars and the points were awarded to St. Joseph's College.

Recreio v. Navy, 1st Division match, and R.A. v. Recreio 2nd Division match, both of December 27, 1930:—For failing to field teams in the above matches Club de Recreio was fined ten dollars and the points awarded to the Royal Navy and R.A. respectively.

R.A.S.C. v. Fukien 3rd Division match, January 10, 1931:—For failing to field a team for the above match R.A.S.C. was fined five dollars and the points awarded to Fukien Club.

Club v. Chinese, 2nd Division match, December 13, 1930:—For playing an unregistered player in the above match Hong Kong Football Club was fined five dollars.

R.A.O.C. v. R.A.S.C., 3rd Division match, December 13, 1930:—For failing to field a team for the above match R.A.S.C. was fined five dollars and the points were awarded to R.A.O.C.

Chinese v. Fukien, 3rd Division match, December 27, 1930:—For failing to field a team for the above match Chinese Athletic Association was fined five dollars and the points were awarded to Fukien.

Council Meeting.

The following are among the important items on the agenda of the H.K.F.A. Council meeting to be held next Tuesday at 5.30 p.m.:—

Shield Competition, draw for Second Round.

To receive a report from the Inter-
port. Arrangements Committee.

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SOCCER INTERPORT.

PROBABLES IN TRIAL WITH
NAVY.

The following have been selected as a probable Interport team to play in a trial match against the Navy on Wednesday, February 11, on the Club ground, Happy Valley, kick-off at 4.30 p.m. sharp:—

Clark (Police); Li Tin Sang (South China); Henderson (Argylls); Hedley (Kowloon) Capt. Eynon (S.W. Borderers); Lam Yuk Ying (Athletic); B. Gosno (Recreio); Segalen (H.K.F.C.); A. V. Gosno (Recreio); Fung King Cheung and Ip Pak Wa (South China).

Reserves:—Bishop, Strange (H.K.F.C.), Yeoman, Hay (Argylls), C. Pile (Kowloon), Sun Kam Shun (Athletic), and Insson (Kowloon).

Club Secretaries are asked to warn players and reserves chosen to turn up ready to take the field. There may be changes made at half time.

Dinner and Dance.

The Interport dinner has been fixed for Saturday, February 21, in the roof garden of the Peninsula Hotel, commencing at 8 p.m. The Council of the Association extend to all clubs a hearty invitation to send one representative to the dinner, whose name should be sent in as soon as possible.

In connection with the visit of the Shanghai football team, it has been decided to hold a dance at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's on Wednesday, February 18, commencing at 8 p.m. Members of affiliated clubs are invited to give their hearty support to this event.

HOME FOOTBALL.

OUTSTANDING SCOTTISH
CUP MATCHES.RESULTS AND DRAW FOR
THIRD ROUND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Two of the Scottish Cup ties in the Second Round which were postponed last Saturday were left undecided when the outstanding programme was taken in hand today. Bo'ness and Celtic succeeded in entering the Third Round, while Aberdeen and the Hibernians also qualified by defeating their opponents in the replays.

The following were the results and the draw for the Third Round to be played on February 14:—

Bo'ness 4 Alloa 2
Dundee U. 2 Celtic 3
King's Park 1 St. Bernard's 1
Cowdenbeath 1 St. Johnstone 1
Partick 0 Aberdeen 3
Hibernians 5 Hamilton 2

Cowdenbeath or St. Johnstone v. King's Park or St. Bernard's

Bo'ness v. Ayr

Third Lanard v. Arbroath or Edinburgh C.

Clyde or St. Mirren v. Falkirk

Montrose or Civil Service v. Kilmarnock

Dundee v. Aberdeen

Hibernians v. Motherwell

Morton v. Celtic

English League.

Five matches in the English League were completed, Blackburn failing badly at Sunderland. The following were the results:—

First Division:—Sunderland 8, Blackburn 2; Bolton 1, Chelsea 1.

Second Division:—Bradford C. 2, Cardiff 1.

Third Division (Northern):—Crawe 6, Gateshead 2; York 4, Hartlepool 2.

H.M.S. SANDWICH LEAVES
FOR HOIKOW.COMMUNIST UPRISING
FEARED.

H.M.S. Sandwich left Hong Kong yesterday for Hoikow in Hainan Island, where she will inquire into the reports to the effect that the lives of 36 British and American missionaries are threatened as a result of a communist uprising.

Hoikow is about 200 miles south of Hong Kong.

Details have not yet come to hand about a brief Canton message stating that the Kwangtung Provincial Government received a telegram from a delegation of Hoikow merchants in Hong Kong appealing to the Canton military and naval authorities for immediate action to save Hoikow from Communist occupation.

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THIS YEAR'S DERBY
CANDIDATES.

COLTS OF PROMISE.

BIG STABLES AND THEIR
HOPES.

For two seasons past, says the *Sunday Times*, the Whatcombe stable has won the Derby, but its chances of bringing off what is known as the hat trick in that race appear to be remote. Although the Aga Khan, the chief patron of the establishment, left nothing to chance when he entered eleven colts for the Epsom event, it so happens that the best of his two-year-olds, so far as we can judge by their public performance, is a filly. No doubt we shall find Turtle Soup among the favourites for the One Thousand and the Oaks but to say which of this owner's colts will carry his colours in the Derby can at present be merely a matter of guesswork.

Two ran but once last season, and it can be said of them that they are bred well enough for anything. Far and Sure is by Phalaris out of the Oaks winner Brownhylda. Nushirawan is by Solario out of Sword Play, and as he cost 4,500 gns. as a yearling, it will be disappointing if he does not turn out well. I know his trainer is hopeful that this half-brother to Chalenger will pay his way in the coming season.

There is an idea at Whatcombe, however, that Pomme d'Api and Jacques Emile Blanche are the most promising of the colts. So much so that both have been entered for the Champion Stakes. Curious enough the latter of these was taken out of the Derby when forfeit was declared last July, so it will be vexatious if he should develop into the best in the stable. According to their running in the Dewhurst Stakes, Pomme d'Api is about 10 lb. in front of the son of Gainsborough.

From the breeding standpoint Pomme d'Api is an object of interest, in that he is one of the first of the offspring of Zonion. In the Free Handicap he was reckoned 18 lb. below the best of the season, so it is obvious he will have to make vast improvement to possess any prospect of gaining classic distinction. Pickpocket, an own brother to Le Volant, is another colt of promise at Whatcombe, and there are possibilities about the Tetratema colt, Shemb. But at the moment it seems long odds against the Aga Khan winning his second Derby.

Beckhampton Colts.

No modern trainer has had a better record in the Derby than Fred Darling. With Captain Cuttle, Manna, and Coronach he won it three times in five seasons, and he was second with Walter Gay last year. Is there a chance that Beckhampton will score again this season? The stable shelters one of the best of his age in Lonnarchus, but there are doubts as to the staying powers of this son of Friar Marous, and it is generally expected that he will be seen to more advantage in the Two Thousand than over the longer journey at Epsom.

In last year's Derby the entries made by Lord Dewar became void by his death, but thanks to the alteration of the rule the entries in his name remain good. This coming year is a matter of considerable importance, as several of the two-year-olds bequeathed to Mr. J. A. Dewar show promise. One whose next appearance on the racecourse I await with a good deal of interest is Cameronian, a bay colt by Pharoas out of Una Cameron. He does not appear in the Free Handicap for the simple reason that he ran only once.

Racegoers will not forget the great impression he made when he cantered away with the Salisbury Stakes in the spring, and he would assuredly have started favourite had he filled any of his Ascent engagements. Something must have gone wrong with the colt to cause Fred Darling to keep him at home for the rest of the year, but as entries have been freely made for him lately we must infer that Cameronian is a force to be reckoned with. He is certainly a colt who must be considered when we are discussing the classic prospects of 1931.

There is a "dark" colt in the Beckhampton stable of whom something is thought, also the property of Mr. Dewar. I refer to Epicurus, a bay by Manna out of Whitelot, a mare that has been responsible for High Art, Maid of Perth, and other winners. Too backward to be raced last season, Epicurus is expected to make his mark as a two-year-old.

Fred Darling also expects to win races with the same owner, Ben Nevis, though this Knockando colt has been unplaced in his two outings so far. I am afraid Lord Woolvington has no three-year-old colt at Beckhampton worthy of consideration for the Derby.

Manton Prospects.

Although Manton won £26,340 in stakes, the stable experienced an unusually quiet season with its two-year-olds, and its hopes of securing classic honours in 1931 would seem to rest mainly on colts and fillies of whom little or nothing is known. I do not suppose anything like the best was seen of Truculent, third in two of his three races, and beaten by a short head on the other occasion. The son of Teddy and Saucy Sue gives every promise of improving with age, and in any case he looks like being his owner's best in the Derby. Nothing was seen of Shell Transport after his unexpected success in the Exeter Stakes on the July course at Newmarket, a performance which entitles him to be considered one of the best of the Manton two-year-olds.

A Derby candidate of some promise in this establishment is Mr. Attercliffe's Inglesant, a Gay Crusader colt whose activities last season were confined to a race at the Houghton meeting, in which he gave a creditable account of himself. An interesting newcomer to Manton is Sir John Rutherford's Orpen, for whom 6,700 gns. was given as a yearling. The son of Solario and Harry showed up well when second to Apperley at Newmarket in the autumn, and he will probably be trained for the Derby.

In a recent speech Lord Derby confessed he had no hopes of winning the Derby, which seems to represent the situation fairly so far as the Stanley House two-year-olds are concerned, though he has two good fillies in Fara and Fisa, while Mrs. James has the useful colt Priekes. Much the strongest stable of two-year-olds is Chartist Hill, which, in addition to Portlaw, has the unbeaten Doctor Doodie and that fine stayer Sings, the latter of whom, however, is not in the Derby. Then there is Thyestes, also undefeated so far, though there is some doubt as to whether this colt will stand training, or, if he does, whether he will stay the Derby course. H. S. Perse's stable is well off too, for high-class fillies, so another most successful season would appear to be in store for this trainer.

The crack of Capt. Boyd-Rochford's stable, standing out well from his companions, is Jacopo, though there are likely "dark" young horses here in Royal Pilgrim and Corn Belt, both novices on the racecourse. The first is by Swaynford, the other by Son-in-Law, and the redoubtable ace mare Golden Corn. Neither of these colts is likely to be any the worse for having been given a quiet time in his first season in training.

DOLLAR LINE ENTERPRISE.

NEW SERVICES AND
SCHEDULES.S.S. PRESIDENT HOOVER HERE
IN SEPTEMBER.

Details of the new New York Manila roundtrip service of the Dollar Steamship Lines was officially announced by officials of the Robert Dollar Company yesterday.

The President Pierce, sailing from Hong Kong on March 24 for San Francisco, will be the last sailing on the San Francisco service under the old schedule. The following week the President Jackson will sail for San Francisco and continue through to New York via Los Angeles, Panama Canal and Havana. Following the President Jackson at fortnightly intervals will be the President McKinley, President Grant, President Cleveland, President Pierce, President Johnson, President Wilson.

The new schedule will enable the Dollar Steamship Lines to serve the Orient most effectively, said Mr. Geo. J. McCarthy, Assistant General Passenger Agent. He pointed out that Hong Kong is now provided with a direct 40 day service to New York via the Panama Canal in addition to the regular fortnightly round the world sailings to New York via the Suez Canal and Europe.

Europe via America.

The new service is expected to appeal particularly to residents in the Orient destined to Europe who are now provided with the opportunity to take a direct fast passenger liner to New York, spending a few days at San Francisco, visiting Los Angeles, passing through the Panama Canal, one of the world's seven wonders, visiting picturesque Havana and New York. Immigration formalities and customs procedure will be reduced to the minimum since such routing requires only transfer at

New York to the trans-Atlantic. First class minimum fare via this route from Hong Kong to Europe is approximately Gold Dollars 734.00, while if cabin class is used trans-Atlantic, the fare will be Gold Dollars 696.00 or thereabouts.

Of special interest is the inclusion of the President Johnson in this service sailing from Hong Kong June 9. This steamer is equipped with luxurious Special Class accommodation carrying a fare of Gold \$108.00 from Hong Kong to San Francisco.

S.S. President Hoover.

After completing one trip the President Johnson will be replaced by the new crack liner President Hoover sailing from New York on her initial trip July 23 and due in Hong Kong the first week in September. The President Hoover will sail from Manila on her return trip to New York September 12 and will remain in the New York-Manila service thereafter. The President Hoover was launched at New port News on December 9 being christened by Mrs. Herbert Hoover with a bottle of waters collected from the seven seas by Dollar Line commanders. The vessel is the largest ship to be constructed in America and cost Gold \$8,000,000. Luxurious accommodation is provided for 320 first class passengers as well as 135 special class. This liner will contain practically every modern invention conceivable for the comfort and entertainment of passengers.

Fortnightly sailings between Seattle and the Orient will be maintained by four President Liners, the new schedule being inaugurated with the sailing of the President Taft from Manila on April 2, followed by the President Jefferson, Lincoln and Madison.

Of special interest in the new schedule is the news of reduced transit times between the Orient and both Seattle and San Francisco. The Seattle schedule is reduced one day, while the schedule of San Francisco steamers is reduced two days.

The Round-the-World service, inaugurated in January, 1924, remains unchanged. President Liners will continue to sail westward from Hong Kong around the world on alternate Sundays.

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QUEEN'S BUILDING.

ALPINE AVALANCHE—
TRAGEDY.BODIES OF THREE VICTIMS
DISCOVERED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRIQUE (Switzerland), Feb. 4.
After several hours' search a party led by one of the surviving guides from the mountain disaster discovered the bodies of three victims.

Miss Fournival has so far not been found.

[Three British women tourists, Mrs. L. C. Fournival, Miss Fournival and Miss Leslie Galloway, and one guide, were killed while on an expedition from Jungfrau Joch for the Aletsch Glacier.

A rescue party returned to Adelboden with three survivors, Mr. L. C. Fournival, Miss Lees, and Mr. Stead.]

DERVISH RUNS THE
GAUNTLET.ESCAPES EXECUTION AT
MENEMEN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 4.

An exciting and successful attempt to cheat the gallows is just divulged in connection with yesterday's executions at Menemen.

A Dervish named Hussein escaped from the hands of the Gipsy Hangman, dashed through a cordon of astonished troops, and ran the gauntlet of an outburst of firing.

He has not yet been seen again. Eye-witnesses of the hangings pay a tribute to the outstanding courage of the only non-Muslim condemned, a Jew named Junkman Hains, who himself adjusted the noose around his neck.

Another villager who was hanged left his entire fortune, equivalent to £20, for the erection of a tiny mosque.

BRITISH CIVIL AVIATION
IN FAR EAST.ANY PROPOSALS TO RECEIVE
CONSIDERATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 4.

In the House of Commons today a questioner drew attention to the establishment of the proposed German Berlin to Nanking air service, and the attachment of an air expert to the United States Trade Commissioner's office in Shanghai.

He asked what steps were being taken in advance in the interests of British civil aviation in the Far East.

Mr. F. Montague, Air Minister, said that any proposals in that connection would be sympathetically considered.

ANGLO-IRAQ TREATY.

CORDIAL MESSAGES MARK
EXCHANGE OF RATIFICATION

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUVAN, Feb. 4.

On the occasion of the exchange of ratifications of the Anglo-Iraq Treaty, messages have passed between King Feisal and King George and also between the Prime Minister of Iraq and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

The King in his telegram to King Feisal says: "I share your hope that our two countries will be joined in an enduring bond of cordial friendship and prosperity."

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

| | Reuter, Feb. 4. |
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| Paris | 125.93 |
| New York | 4.85 31/32 |
| Brussels | 34.53 |
| Geneva | 25.10 |
| Amsterdam | 12.89 |
| Milan | 92.81 |
| Berlin | 20.43 |
| Stockholm | 18.14 |
| Copenhagen | 18.16 |
| Oslo | 18.16 |
| Vienna | 34.54 |
| Prague | 104 |
| Helsingfors | 103 |
| Madrid | 49 |
| Lisbon | 102.25 |
| Athens | 375 |
| Bucharest | 617 |
| Rio | 38 |
| Buenos Aires | 34 |
| Montevideo | 33 |
| Bombay | 1/62 |
| Shanghai | 1/23 |
| Hong Kong | 1/11 |
| Yokohama | 2/0 13/32 |
| Silver (spot) | 12 7/16 |
| Silver (forward) | 12 7/16 |

BANK OF EAST ASIA,
LIMITED.MILLION DOLLARS PROFIT
IN 1930.

The Directors of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., announce that, subject to audit, the profit for the year ending December 31, 1930, after writing off all charges and making provisions for depreciation, bad and doubtful debts and other contingencies, and including the balance of \$447,994.03 brought forward from 1929, amounts to \$1,456,423.01, which the Directors propose to deal with at the forthcoming annual meeting as follows:—

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| To pay a Dividend of \$5 per share on 50,000 shares absorbing | \$300,000.00 |
| To pay a bonus of \$2 per share on 50,000 shares absorbing | 100,000.00 |
| To transfer to Reserve | 500,000.00 |
| To pay a bonus to Directors, Holders of Founder shares and the staff | 108,264.55 |
| To pay a special bonus to the staff | 25,421.52 |
| To carry forward | \$1,456,423.01 |

OUSTRIC BANK DECLARED
BANKRUPT.LIABILITIES CANNOT BE
ESTIMATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Feb. 4.

The Oustric Bank has so far benefited under the régime of the so-called "judicial liquidation," but to-day it was declared bankrupt by the Tribunal of Commerce, with liabilities which at present cannot be estimated.

NAVAL AND MILITARY.

CHINESE FLEET
APPOINTMENTS.

On January 10, Commander L. H. Bayley dates his appointment to the sloop "Sandwich," on the China Station, in succession to Commander Francis Howard, D.S.C.

H.M.S. Cornwall, Captain A.N. Dowding, which has returned to Devonport from her first commission on the China Station, is ordered to recommission there on February 12 for further service on that Station. Owing to the manning situation a change is being made in the home port of this ship, and her new crew will be drawn from Portsmouth instead of from Devonport. The Cornwall is due to leave England again in March, and to arrive at Hong Kong by the end of April.

Wing-Commander B. L. Huskisson, D.S.C., has been posted to headquarters, Coastal Area, for staff duties. He was in charge of the aircraft sent to China in H.M.S. Hermes as part of the reinforcements owing to the situation at Shanghai and elsewhere.

At Portsmouth on January 5, Commander E. G. Stanley, D.S.C., took command of the Alcot and of the Training Half-Fleet of Submarines. Commander Stanley's last service was in command of the Marston, and for duty with submarines of the Fourth Fleet, China, where he was relieved in July.

H.M.S. "Vindictive," ordered to commission at Chatham on February 15 for a training trip to China, will take out half crew for the river gunboats, a relief crew for the surveying ship Herald, a few ratings for the depot-ship Midway and a submarine draft. Captain R. St. P. Parry, D.S.O., M.V.O., has been selected to command the "Vindictive."

The transport Neurula completed on January 7 her first troop-carrying voyage to the Far East and home. She began her second voyage on January 18 from Southampton, taking drafts for Egypt, India, and the Far East. The Neurula left Suez on January 28 with the 1st Battalion, The Gloucestershire Regiment, for Singapore, being due on February 10, carrying also drafts for Singapore and Shanghai. The Shanghai drafts will disembark at Singapore and re-embark on March 11.

Vice-Admiral Sir Horatio Herbert Mordaunt, who has been appointed Vice-Admiral Commanding H.M. (Yacht) accompanied the Special Mission of the Duke of Gloucester to Japan to invest the Emperor with the Order of the Garter in 1929.

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

ALEXANDRIA.

Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 23.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

AMCOY.

Namsang, Jardine's, Feb. 7.
Antung, B. & S., Feb. 8.
Haiyang, Douglas, Feb. 8.
Takada, B.I., Feb. 8.
Haiching, Douglas, Feb. 10.
Taiyuan, B. & S., Feb. 11.
Haining, Douglas, Feb. 11.
Tijloboet, J.C.J.L., Feb. 13.
Anhui, B. & S., Feb. 18.
Suisang, Jardine's, Feb. 18.
Tilawa, B.I., Feb. 25.
Santhia, B.I., March 11.

ANTWERP.

Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Celtic Star, Dodwell's, Feb. 14.
Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Afrika, Mannors, Feb. 25.
Ramsey, Jensen, Feb. 28.
Kihiva, P. & O., March 7.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Changte, B. & S., Feb. 18.
Ritono Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 19.
Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 23.

BALEIC PORTS.

Afrika, Mannors, Feb. 25.

BALTIMORE.

Lossibank, Bank, Feb. 11.

BANGKOK.

Chinhua, B. & S., Feb. 8.
Kaying, B. & S., Feb. 9.
Kwangchow, B. & S., Feb. 15.

BARCELONA.

Derflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Leverkusen, Jensen, March 7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.

BELAWAN-DELL.

Van Houtz, J.C.J.L., Feb. 9.

BOMBAY.

Kidderpore, P. & O., Feb. 6.
Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Chenoncaux, M.M., Feb. 22.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 27.
Alipore, P. & O., March 3.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

BOSTON.

Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Atago Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 11.
Lossibank, Bank, Feb. 11.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Feb. 16.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Feb. 23.
Taketoyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 1.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

BREMEN.

Derflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Havel, Melchers, March 3.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.

BRINDISI.

Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

CALCUTTA.

Takada, B.I., Feb. 7.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 8.
Yuesang, Jardine's, Feb. 14.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 15.
Takada, B.I., Feb. 27.
Suisang, Jardine's, March 9.

CASABLANCA.

Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Menelaus, B.F., March 3.

CHEFOO.

Luchow, B. & S., Feb. 8.

COLOMBO.

Kidderpore, P. & O., Feb. 6.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Feb. 11.
Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 15.
Patroclus, B.F., Feb. 17.
Porthos, M.M., Feb. 17.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 27.
Malwa, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Alipore, P. & O., March 3.
Chenoncaux, M.M., March 3.
Kihiva, P. & O., March 7.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

COPENHAGEN.

Afrika, Mannors, Feb. 25.

DALNY.

Liangchow, B. & S., Feb. 8.
Antenor, B.F., Feb. 9.
Teau, B. & S., Feb. 9.
Hector, B.F., March 7.

DUTCH PORTS.

Derflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
City of Lillo, Bank, Feb. 11.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Feb. 11.
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Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
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Chenoncaux, M.M., March 3.
Kihiva, P. & O., March 7.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

FOODHOW.

Chipshing, Jardine's, Feb. 8.
Haiyang, Douglas, Feb. 8.
Haiching, Douglas, Feb. 10.
Haining, Douglas, Feb. 13.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Feb. 19.

GENOA.

Derflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jensen, Feb. 7.
Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Peleus, B.F., Feb. 21.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Ramsey, Jensen, Feb. 28.
Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.
Leverkusen, Jensen, March 7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

GLASGOW.

Patroclus, B.F., Feb. 16.
Peleus, B.F., Feb. 21.

GOTHENBURG.

Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Feb. 12.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Feb. 23.

HAMBURG.

Derflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jensen, Feb. 7.
City of Lillo, Bank, Feb. 11.
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Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.
Havel, Melchers, March 3.
Menelaus, B.F., March 3.
Kihiva, P. & O., March 7.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

HANKOW.

Derflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jensen, Feb. 7.
City of Lillo, Bank, Feb. 11.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO. LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel
"MAOHAON"

From NEW YORK via MANILA
are hereby notified that their Cargo
will be discharged into Holt's
Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie
at Consignees' risk and subject to
Terms and Conditions of Storage at
Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be
ready for Delivery from Godown on
and after 5th February.

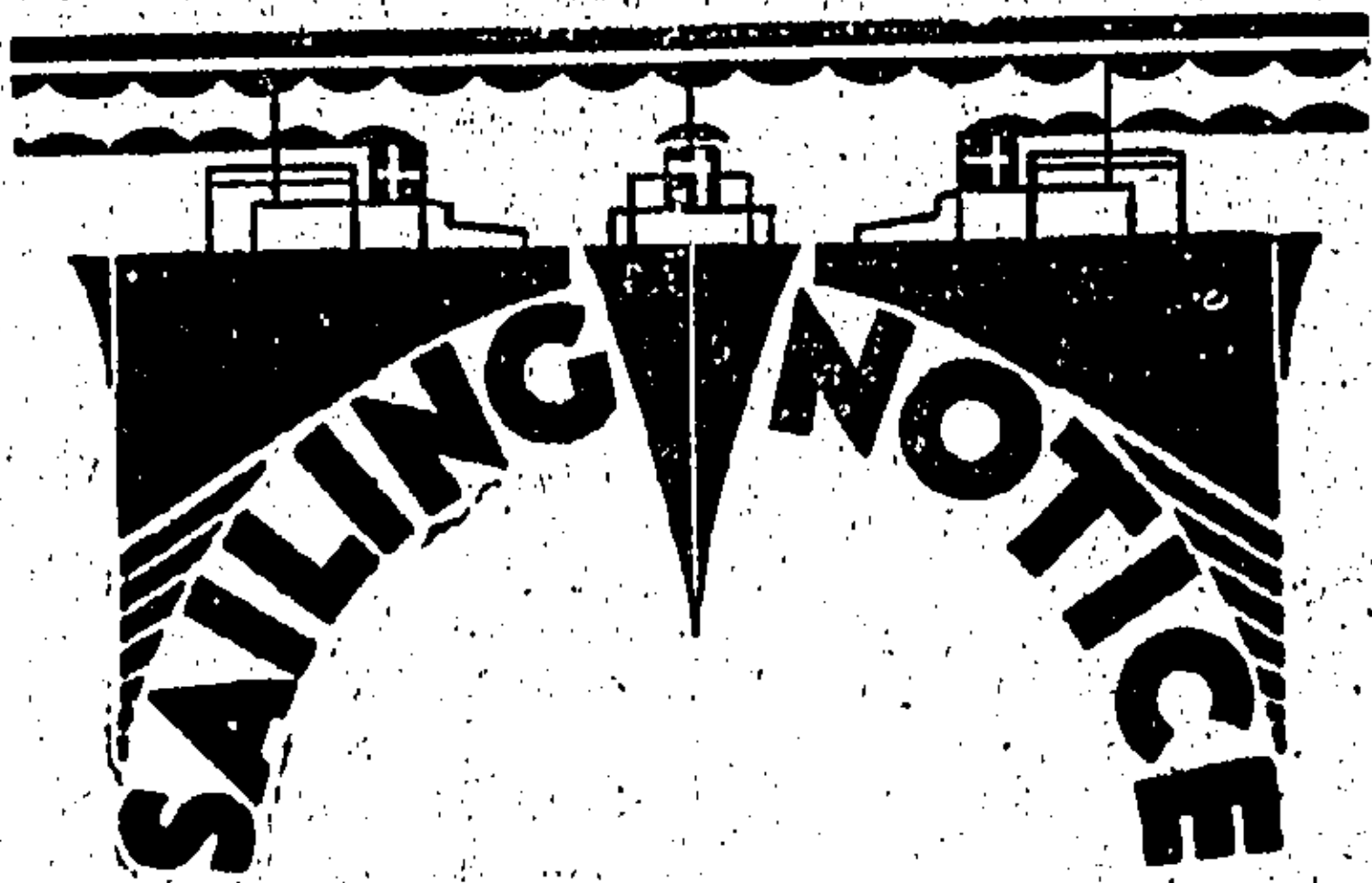
Optional Cargo will not be landed
here, unless Notice has been given prior
to Vessel's arrival, but carried on from
port to port to the final port of call
to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on any Tuesdays and
Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m.
and Noon within the Free Storage period.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Vessel's Godown,
and all Goods remaining undelivered
after the 11th February will be subject
to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 25th February, 1931, or they
will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

5th February, 1931.



Weekly Trans-Pacific Service

To San Francisco and Los Angeles To Seattle and Victoria
The Sunshine Belt via Honolulu The Short, Straight Route to America
Fortnightly sailings on Tuesdays

Pros. McKinley, Tues., Feb. 10, 1 a.m. Pros. Jefferson, Tues., Feb. 17
Pros. Grant, Tues., Feb. 24 Pros. Lincoln, Tues., Mar. 3
Pros. Cleveland, Tues., Mar. 10 Pros. Madison, Tues., Mar. 17

£120, £112 Special through rates to Europe via United States. Direct
connections with all Atlantic lines. Choice of rail lines
across United States and Canada, liberal stop-over privileges for sight-seeing.

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From HONG KONG TO NAPLES ... £152. 5. 0d.
" " " MARSEILLES ... £181. 0. 0d.
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Full particulars upon application.

Europe and New York Direct

ROUND THE WORLD
Fortnightly sailings on Sunday via Manila, Straits, Colombo, Suez Canal, Alexandria,
Naples, Genoa, Marseilles, New York and Boston.

Pros. Fillmore, Sun., Feb. 8 a.m. Pros. Van Buren, Sun., Mar. 8 a.m.
Pros. Wilson, Sun., Feb. 23 a.m. Pros. Garfield, Sun., Mar. 23 a.m.

To Manila

Pros. Jefferson, Feb. 10, 6 p.m. Pros. Lincoln, Feb. 24, 6 p.m.
Pros. Grant, Feb. 14, 6 p.m. Pros. Cleveland, Feb. 28, 6 p.m.

CANTON BRANCH—4, SHA KEE STREET.

DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES
AMERICAN MAIL LINE

Goods not cleared by the 11th
February, 1931, will be subject to Rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged Pack-
ages are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on the 10th
February, 1931, at 10 a.m. by Messrs.
Goddard & Douglas, Hong Kong.
Claims against the Steamer must be
presented in writing within Ten days
after arrival of Steamer, otherwise they
will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
the Underwriter in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JAVI-CHINA-JAPAN LINE,
General Agents.

Hong Kong, 4th Feb., 1931.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the hazardous
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Ltd., whence, and/or
from the wharves Delivery may be
obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
10th instant will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 24th instant, or they will
not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
the Underwriter in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBBS, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 3rd Feb., 1931.

PRINCE LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM NEW YORK.

THE Motor Vessel
"MALAYAN PRINCE"

having arrived from the above Port on
30th instant, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,
Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on Thursday,
5th February, 1931, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within
15 Days of the Vessel's arrival here,
after which date they cannot be re-
cognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
6th February, 1931, will be subject to
Rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by FURNESS (FAR EAST), LTD.,
2nd Floor, King's Building,
Cantonment Road,
Telephone 22165.

Hong Kong, 30th Jan., 1931.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following vessels were in
port yesterday:

Wharves:—Kowloon: Empress of
Japan, Namsang, Shunko Maru,
Madras Maru, Alaska Maru,
Laplata Maru; Soony—Laichikok;
Greystoke Castle; O.S.K.: Horan
Maru; Douglas Lepratik: Hai-
ching.

Buoys:—A2 Tjisondari, A4 San-
yo Maru, A10 Antung, A11 Thore-
sen, A12 Chicago Maru, A15 Hel-
ikon, B1 Chakong, B2 Chipching,
B3 Hiram, B4 Chinhuu, B14 Ying-
chow, B15 Teinar, B16 Yuan Jeng,
B18 Chian Lee, B20 Koying, B21
Ninghai, B25 Tonjer, C1 Ardant,
C2 New Mathilde, C3 Shun Chih,
C4 Solviken, C5 Canton, C7 Kokko-
Maru, C8 Hokai Maru.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

AT THE EASTERN EXTENSION,
AUSTRALASIA AND CHINA
TELEGRAPH CO., Ltd.

Addressed: From
Hendel Calcutta
Quana Calcutta

AT THE GREAT NORTHERN
TELEGRAPH CO., Ltd.

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Security Shanghai
Nakata Shikoku

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DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

HONG KONG STOCK
EXCHANGE.

THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 5.

SHAREROCKERS'
ASSOCIATION.

Buyers Sellers Sales Nominal

Bank

H.K. Banks \$2,070 \$2,075
Do. (London) \$2,070 \$2,075
Chartered Banks \$2,070 \$2,075
Mercantile Bks. "A" \$2,070 \$2,075
Do. "C" \$2,070 \$2,075
Bank of East Asia \$2,070 \$2,075

Insurance

Canton Insurance \$3.35 \$3.35
Underwriters \$3.35 \$3.35
North China \$3.35 \$3.35
Union Insurance \$3.35 \$3.35
Yangtze Insurance \$3.35 \$3.35
China Fire \$3.35 \$3.35
H.K. Fire \$3.35 \$3.35

Shipping

Douglas \$28 \$28
Steamboats \$28 \$28
Indos (pref.) \$28 \$28
Do. (pref.) \$28 \$28
Shell Transporta \$28 \$28
Water-boat, cum. r. \$28 \$28

Mining

Benquo \$10 \$10
Kailan \$10 \$10
Langkate (comb.) \$10 \$10
Do. (single) \$10 \$10
Explorations \$10 \$10
Shanghai Loans \$10 \$10
Randa \$10 \$10
Tromon Mines \$10 \$10

Docks, Wharves,

Godowns, etc.

H.K. & K. Wharfs \$5.30 \$5.30
Providents (old) \$5.30 \$5.30
Do. (new) \$5.30 \$5.30
H.K. Docks \$5.30 \$5.30
South China, Motors \$5.30 \$5.30
Shanghai Docks \$5.30 \$5.30
New Engineering \$5.30 \$5.30
Hongkew \$5.30 \$5.30
Lands, Hotels, and
Buildings

H.K. & S. Hotels \$12.80 \$12.80
H.K. Lands (old) \$12.80 \$12.80
Do. (new A) \$12.80 \$12.80
Do. (new B) \$12.80 \$12.80
Shanghai Lands \$12.80 \$12.80
H.K. Realty \$12.80 \$12.80
Humphreys, cum. r. \$12.80 \$12.80
Do. rights \$12.80 \$12.80
Chinese Estates \$12.80 \$12.80

Cotton Mills

Kwong \$14.30 \$14.30
S'hai Cottons \$14.30 \$14.30
Zoong Sings \$14.30 \$14.30

Public Utilities

Tramways (old) \$17.35 \$17.35
Peak Trams (old) \$17.35 \$17.35
Do. (new) \$17.35 \$17.35
Star Lines \$17.35 \$17.35
China Lights \$17.35 \$17.35
H.K. Electric \$17.35 \$17.35
Macao do \$17.35 \$17.35
Sandakan Lights \$17.35 \$17.35
Telephones (fully pd.) \$17.35 \$17.35
Do. (part pd.) \$17.35 \$17.35
China Buses \$17.35 \$17.35
Traction \$17.35 \$17.35
Do. (pref.) \$17.35 \$17.35

Industrials

Caldbeck, (ord.) \$3.60 \$3.60
Macgregors (pref.) \$3.60 \$3.60
Canton Ice \$3.60 \$3.60
Cements (comb.) \$3.60 \$3.60
Do. (old) \$3.60 \$3.60
Do. (new) \$3.60 \$3.60
Rover \$3.60 \$3.60
China Sugars \$3.60 \$3.60
Malabon Sugars \$3.60 \$3.60
Venuela Gold Flds. \$3.60 \$3.60

Miscellaneous

Dairy Farms (old) \$25 \$25
Do. (new) \$25 \$25
Der A. Wings \$25 \$25
Amusements, rights \$25 \$25
Do. cum right \$25 \$25
Chin. Entertainment \$25 \$25
Constructions \$25 \$25
Lane Crawford \$25 \$25
Mackintosh \$25 \$25
Nanyang Tobacco \$25 \$25
Sincere \$25 \$25
Watsons \$25 \$25
Wm. Koon \$25 \$25
B. & G. Bonds \$25 \$25
H.K. Govt. Loans \$25 \$25

LOCAL AND REGULAR OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR

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| SHANGHAI | "YOHANG" | On 6th Feb. | 4 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN | "LUOHOW" | On 6th Feb. | 5 p.m. |
| DALNY | "LIANGCHOW" | On 6th Feb. | 5 p.m. |
| DALNY | "CHINCHUA" | On 6th Feb. | 5 p.m. |
| DANOKU | "SHENHUA" | On 8th Feb. | 8 a.m. |
| SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN | "ANJUNG" | On 8th Feb. | 5 p.m. |
| AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE | "KAYING" | On 9th Feb. | 11 a.m. |
| SWATOW & BANGKOK | "TEAN" | On 9th Feb. | 5 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI & DALNY | "SINKIANG" | On 10th Feb. | 8 a.m. |
| SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN | "TAIYUAN" | On 10th Feb. | 5 p.m. |
| AMOI & SHANGHAI | "KINGYUAN" | On 12th Feb. | Noon |
| HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG | "KIUNGCHOW" | On 13th Feb. | 9 a.m. |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI | "KANGCHOW" | On 15th Feb. | 5 p.m. |
| BANGKOK | "ANKHUI" | On 18th Feb. | 11 a.m. |
| AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE | "KIUNGCHOW" | On 26th Feb. | Noon |

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| | Barometer at Sea Level | Thermometer | Wind | Direction | Force | Clouds | Humidity | State of Sky | Direction | Force | Barometer at Sea Level | Thermometer | Wind | Direction | Force | Clouds | Humidity | State of Sky | Direction | Force |
| Wladivostok | 12 | 30.16 | 76.0 | N | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30.00 | 76.0 | N | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Nomuro | 11 | 30.14 | 76.5 | N | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30.04 | 76.5 | N | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Hakodate | 11 | 30.04 | 76.0 | NNW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.94 | 76.0 | NNW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Tokio | 11 | 29.92 | 76.0 | E | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.78 | 76.0 | E | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Kochi | 11 | 29.84 | 75.8 | E | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.78 | 75.8 | E | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Nagasaki | 11 | 29.86 | 75.8 | SSW | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.78 | 75.8 | SSW | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Kagoshima | 11 | 29.88 | 75.8 | S | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.86 | 75.8 | S | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Oshima | 11 | 29.90 | 75.8 | SSW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.86 | 75.8 | SSW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Naha | 11 | 29.92 | 75.8 | S | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.86 | 75.8 | S | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Ishigakijima | 11 | 29.90 | 75.8 | S | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.86 | 75.8 | S | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Bonin Island | 11 | 29.98 | 76.1 | S | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30.14 | 76.1 | S | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Chefoo | 15 | 30.08 | 76.4 | N | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30.01 | 76.2 | N | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
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| Wenchow | 14 | 29.77 | 76.1 | S | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.79 | 76.0 | S | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Foochow | 14 | 29.75 | 75.8 | S | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.79 | 75.8 | S | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Amoy | 14 | 29.78 | 76.4 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.79 | 76.4 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Swatow | 14 | 29.78 | 76.4 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.78 | 76.4 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Taihou | 11 | 29.91 | 75.7 | SSW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.78 | 75.7 | SSW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Taihu | 11 | 29.94 | 76.0 | SSW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.78 | 76.0 | SSW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
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| Koshun | 11 | 29.93 | 76.0 | SW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.84 | 75.8 | SW | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
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| Manila | 14 | 29.83 | 75.7 | NE | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.87 | 75.7 | NE | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Legaspi | 14 | 29.83 | 75.7 | NE | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.87 | 75.7 | NE | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Calbayog | 14 | 29.83 | 75.7 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.87 | 75.7 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Tacloban | 14 | 29.83 | 75.7 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.87 | 75.7 | SW | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
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| Labuan | 14 | 29.83 | 75.7 | NE | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29.87 | 75.7 | NE | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

February 5d. 10A. 130m.—Depressions are shown to the west of Nagasaki and over Tongking.
An anticyclone has formed over N. China.
The monsoon will set in again along the S.E. coast of China.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.04 inch. Total since January 1, 0.37 inch, against an average of 1.77 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON FEBRUARY 6.

- 1.—Formosa Channel ... Light, variable winds, freshening from N.E.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamook ... S. to E. winds, moderate; generally cloudy, some drizzle or mist, becoming cooler.
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock ... S. to E. winds, moderate; generally cloudy, some drizzle or mist, becoming cooler.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan ... S. to E. winds, moderate; generally cloudy, some drizzle or mist, becoming cooler.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, February 5.

| | Previous Day at 4 p.m. | On Date at 10 a.m. | On Date at 4 p.m. |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Barometer... | 29.77 | 29.84 | 29.73 |
| Temperature... | 76 | 74 | 75 |
| Humidity... | 79 | 90 | 86 |
| Wind... | S | S | S |
| Direction... | S | S | S |
| Force... | 00 | 00 | 0 |
| Weather... | 00 | 00 | 0 |
| Rain... | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.04 |
| Highest open-air Temperature... | ... | 61.77 | ... |
| Lowest open-air Temperature... | ... | 51.73 | ... |

"B"=Blue sky; "C"=Cloudy; "D"=Drizzle; "F"=Fog; "L"=Lightning; "M"=Mist; "O"=Overcast; "P"=Passing showers; "Q"=Squalls; "R"=Rain; "T"=Thunder.

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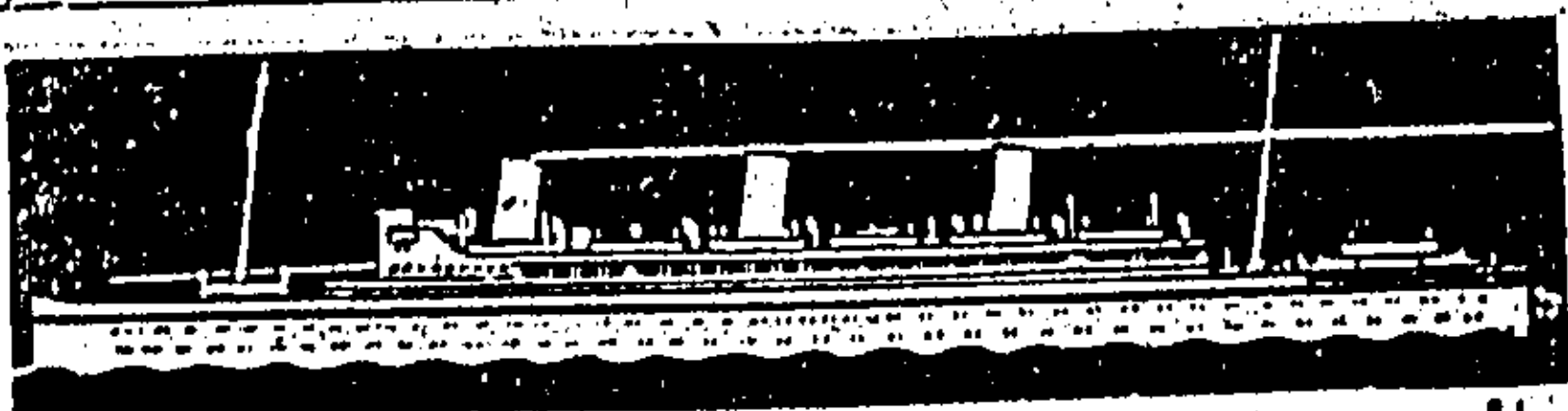
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HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From February 6 to 12, 1931.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

| Day of Week | Date | Hong Kong Standard Time | Height | Hong Kong Standard Time | Height |
|-------------|------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Fri. | 6 | h. m. 12 27 23 55 | f. in. 5 0 7 8 | h. m. 06 00 17 11 | 06 00 06 23 |
| Sat. | 7 | — 18 00 00 44 | — 5 1 5 3 | — 18 09 19 18 | — 18 09 19 18 |
| Sun. | 8 | 18 40 01 35 | 5 2 5 3 | — 07 51 | — 07 51 |
| Mon. | 9 | 14 12 | 5 4 | 20 47 | 20 47 |
| Tues. | 10 | 02 40 14 55 | 4 4 5 6 | 02 26 23 23 | 02 26 23 23 |
| Wed. | 11 | 04 59 15 54 | 5 6 5 7 | 09 04 19 09 | 09 04 19 09 |
| Thur. | 12 | 03 26 17 11 | 5 9 5 9 | — — | — — |



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KASHIMA MARU ... 7th February

YASUKUNI MARU ... 21st February

SYDNEY & Melbourne via Manila & Port

KITANO MARU ... 19th February

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo

IYO MARU ... 10th February

TOKIWA MARU ... 27th February

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,

Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

HEIYO MARU ... 5th March

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape

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KAWACHI MARU ... 25th February

NEW YORK, BOSTON via PANAMA.

ATAGO MARU ... 11th February

TAKEUCHI MARU ... 1st March

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Suez, Constantinople,

Genoa & Marseilles.

DELGOA MARU ... 16th February

CAIRO via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

NAKAGAWA MARU ... 8th February

BENGAL MARU ... 15th February

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

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THROUGH CARGO
25,100 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

| British | Tons | Port |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|
| Tanda, Manila | 699 | 2,389 |
| Greystoke Castle, Shanghai | 555 | — |
| Namsang, Singapore | 1,050 | 277 |
| Tainan, Canton | — | 250 |
| Ninghai, Canton | — | 400 |
| Chinhua, Canton | — | 40 |
| Haiyang, Swatow | 250 | — |
| Haiching, Swatow | 700 | — |
| New Mathilde, Pakhoi | 1,018 | — |
| Philoctetes, Shanghai | 7 | 8,100 |
| French | | |
| Canton, Haiphong | 487 | — |
| Dutch | | |
| Rioaw, Manila | 585 | 5,370 |
| | 585 | 5,370 |
| German | | |
| Dorry, Hoilow | 55 | — |
| Japanese | | |
| Chicago Maru, Moji | 87 | 4,038 |
| Madras Maru, Singapore | 1,471 | 2,280 |
| Chi Maru, Karafa | 1,500 | 1,950 |
| Kokko Maru, Sea | 40 | — |
| Karumo Maru, Sea | 38 | — |
| | 3,136 | 8,293 |
| Chinese | | |
| Shun Chih, Saigon | 1,800 | — |
| | 1,800 | — |
| Total | 10,895 | 25,154 |

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:

| British | Arr. | Dep. |
|-----------|------|------|
| French | 10 | 6 |
| Dutch | 1 | 3 |
| German | 1 | 0 |
| Norwegian | 1 | 2 |
| Japanese | 5 | 4 |
| Chinese | 1 | 2 |
| Danish | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 20 | 19 |

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

| Tanda (British) Melbourne | 120 |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Namsang (British) Calcutta | 380 |
| Tainan (British) Canton | 42 |
| Haiyang (British) Foochow | 160 |
| Haiching (British) Foochow | 90 |
| New Mathilde (British) Haiphong | 56 |
| Canton (French) Haiphong | 48 |
| Shun Chih (Chinese) Saigon | 207 |
| Total | 1,222 |

ARRIVALS.

February 4.

Philoctetes, British str., 7,170 tons, Capt. J. Ramsay, from Yokohama, buoy No. A3.—B. & S.
Yei Maru, Japanese str., 1,849 tons, Capt. K. Izumi, from Kamfa, Yau-mat Anchorage.—Hidaka & Co.

February 5.

Canton, French str., 970 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, buoy No. C5.—M. M.
Chakang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. J. McAnish, from Canton, buoy No. B1.—J. M. & Co.
Chinhua, British str., 1,353 tons, Capt. P. H. Histed, from Canton, buoy No. B8.—B. & S.
Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. J. Davidson, from Hoilow, buoy No. B18.—Jensen & Co.

Fooshing, British str., 1,493 tons, Capt. D. S. Peckick, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—J. M. & Co.
Hong Peng, British str., 2,525 tons, Capt. H. S. Hay, from Amoy, Kowloon Wharf.—Ho Thong & Co.

Kidderpore, British str., 3,237 tons, Capt. S. Y. Woodroff, from Shanghai, buoy No. A9.—M. M. & Co.
Kwoiyang, British str., 1,580 tons, Capt. A. Cook, from Hoilow, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

La Plata Maru, Japanese str., 4,388 tons, Capt. M. Yajima, from Kobe, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.
Machoon, British str., 4,900 tons, Capt. W. Slater, from Manila, Holts Wharf.—B. & S.

Madras Maru, Japanese str., 2,293 tons, Capt. S. Ama, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.
Ninghai, British str., 182 tons, Capt. Y. N. Campbell, from Canton, buoy No. B21.—B. & S.

Shini Maru, Japanese str., 2,315 tons, Capt. Haebe, from Miike, buoy No. C25.—M.B.K.

Shun Chih, Chinese str., 1,251 tons, Capt. T. Thorbjornsen, from Saigon, buoy No. C3.—Chang Tong Ha.

Stochuen, British str., 1,894 tons, Capt. C. E. Fisher, from Swatow, buoy No. A5.—B. & S.
Tainan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. J. W. Tinson, from Canton, buoy No. B16.—B. & S.

Yei Jun Maru, Japanese str., 1,284 tons, Capt. R. Taketomi, from Canton, buoy No. B10.—O.K.K.

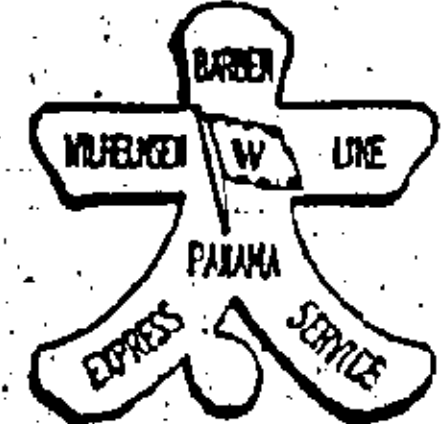
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The B.I. s.s. Talma is due to arrive in Hong Kong this afternoon.

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| "SOMALI" | 18,618 | 21st Mar. | Marseilles and London. |
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| "TILAWA" | 10,000 | 21st Feb. | do. |
| "SANTHIA" | 7,754 | 28th Feb. | do. |
| "TALMA" | 10,000 | 5th Mar. | do. |
| "TAKADA" | 9,949 | 12th Mar. | do. |
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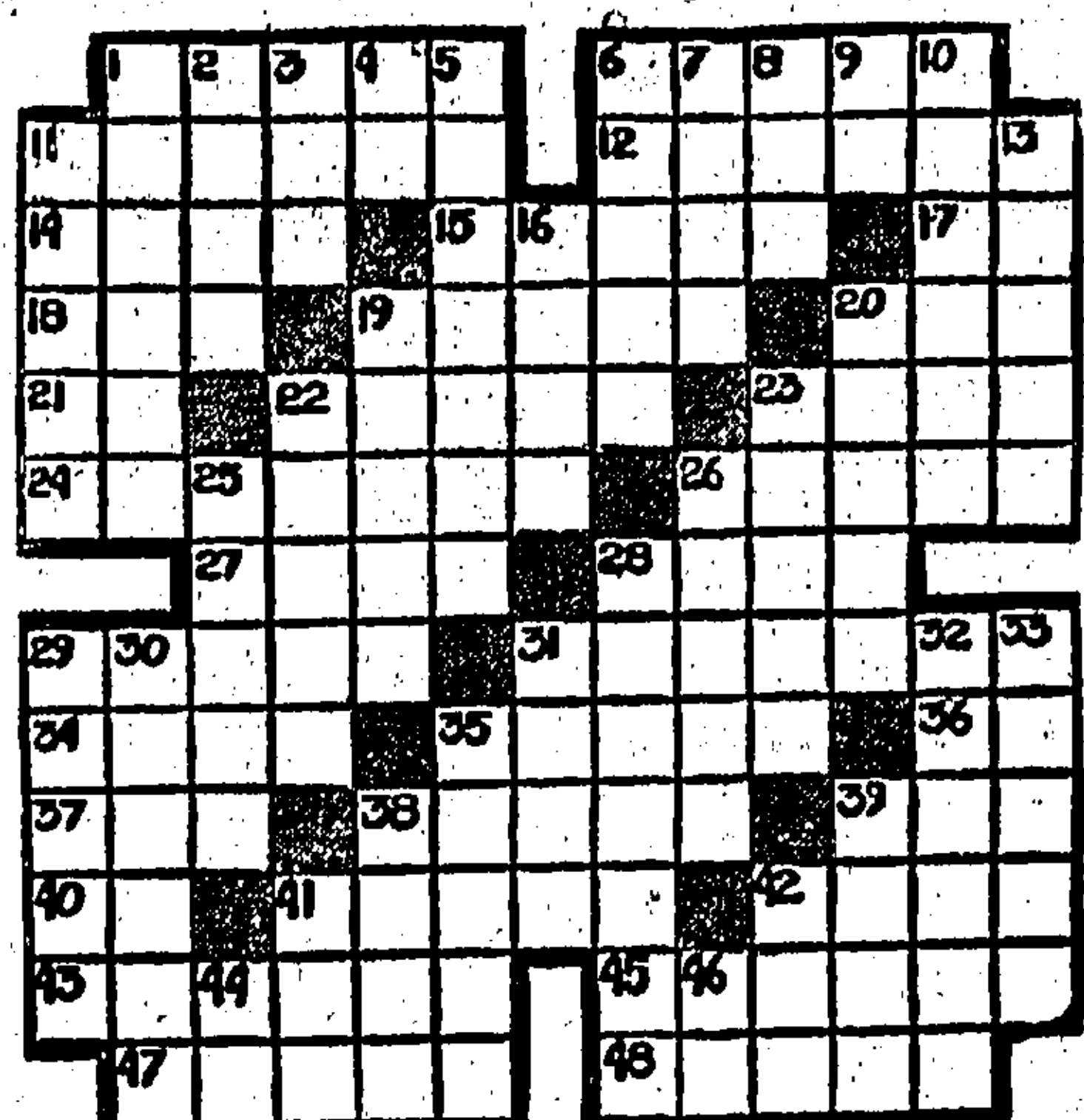
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| "TALMA" | 10,000 | 16th Apr. | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama. |
| "RAJPUTANA" | 10,668 | 23rd Apr. | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama. |
| "NELLORE" | 6,553 | 30th Apr. | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama. |
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1—To bite on bit.
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17—Egyptian god.
18—To employ.
19—Chemicals.
20—Equality.
21—Musical note.
22—Runs away.
23—Shower.
24—Collection of hymns.
25—Reclines.
27—Expiated.
28—Spirit.
29—One who is carried.
31—Frame of motor car.
34—Angers.
35—To slip.
36—A negative.
37—Tart.
38—Reaches across.
39—To name.
40—Half an em.
41—Strip of leather.
42—Ripped.
43—To do again.
45—Not so light.
47—Avenue.
48—Mistake.

10—To throw off track.
11—Slightly obese.
12—Mons.
13—What?
15—To change.
16—Grows tiresome.
22—Soars.
23—To awaken.
25—Joined.
26—Dawns.
28—This board.
29—One who gets up.
30—That which presses.
31—Tribes.
32—Harden.
33—Sodas.
35—Speaks.
36—A sal.
39—Portion of medicine.
41—A beverage.
42—Jutted rock.
44—River of Italy.
46—Conjunction.

VERTICAL

1—Critical moment.
2—Stockings.
3—Likely.
4—Pronoun.
5—To go ahead.
6—Grows.
7—Gallows.
8—A constellation.
9—Within.

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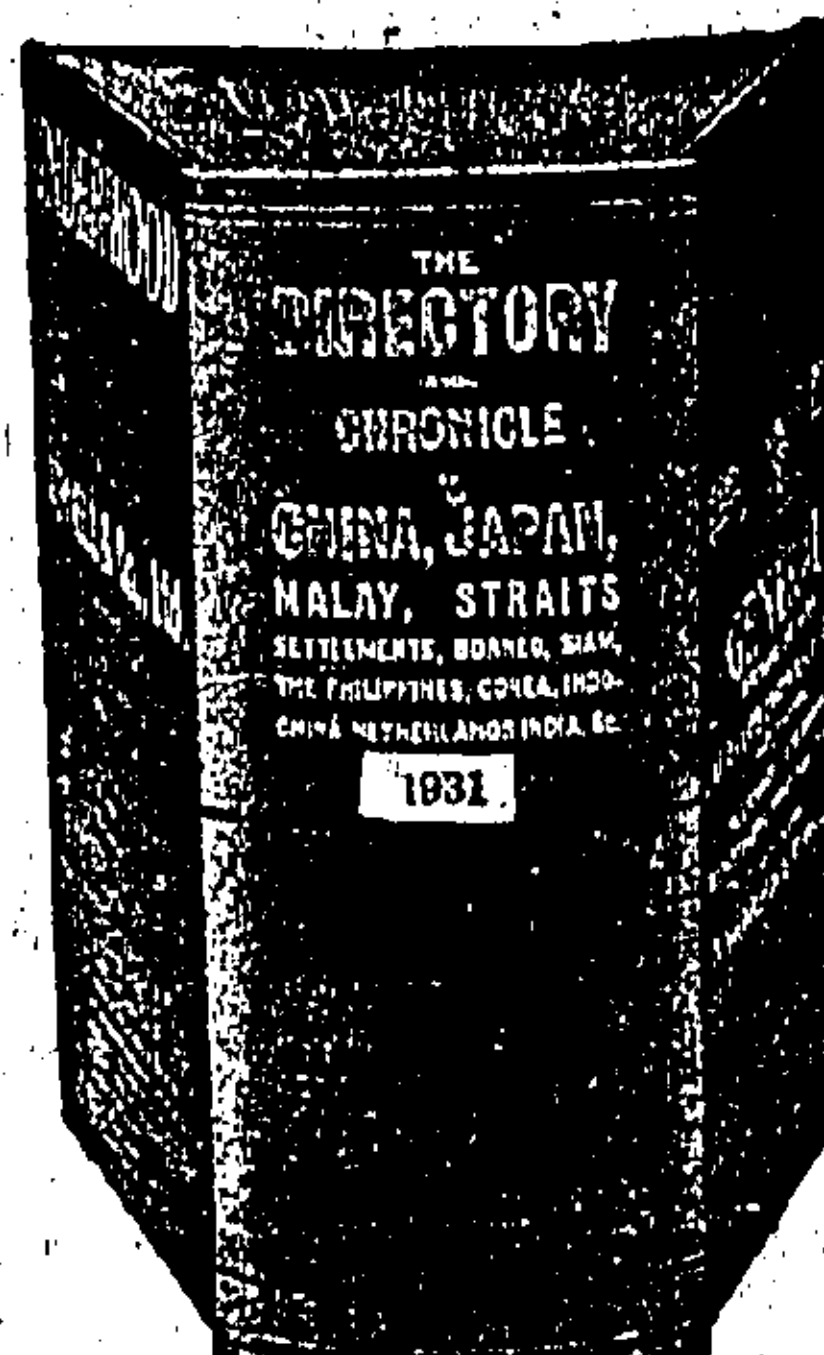
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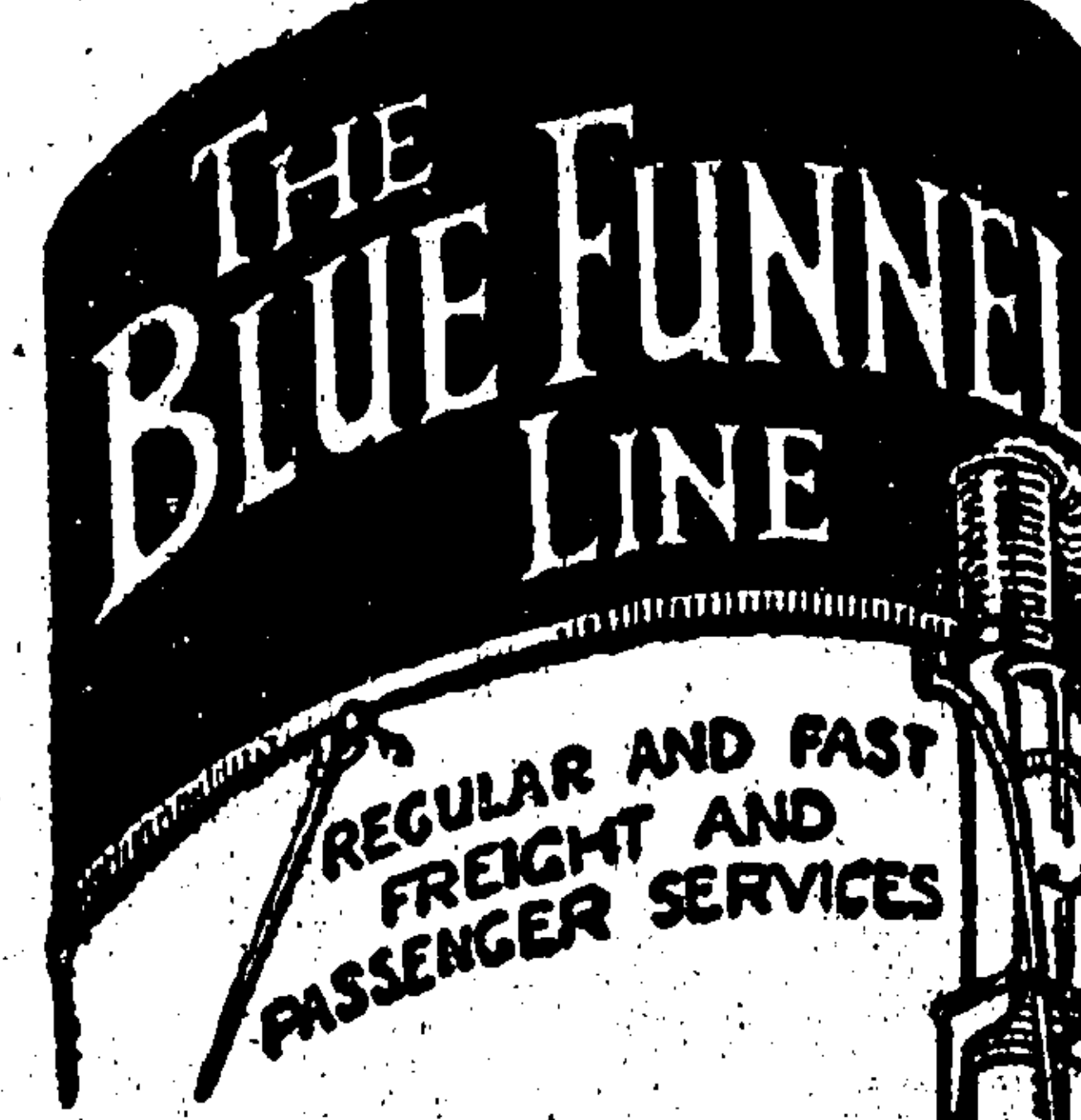
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